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ECHO OF 1922 STRIKE. SIR ROBERT HO TUNG'S PROMISE. OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

Seamen's Union and "Purely Imaginative" Claim.

From the Colonial Secretary the "China Mail" has received the following statement regarding the strike settlement of 1922.

The final agreement was signed on March 5, 1922, and Clause 2 reads as follows:—

A date will be fixed for the general return to work. From the time of leaving until such date, men will receive half pay according to the new scale. Men may be re-instated on any of their own Company's vessels or such other vessels as may be mutually agreed upon. If positions are not available for men ready to return to work as above, it is agreed that half pay shall continue for such period as the men are not employed, but not exceeding five and a half (5½) months from the date of the general return to work. This half pay will be administered from a Fund under the control of a duly appointed administrator.

The "Fund under the control of a duly appointed Administrator" is a reference to Sir Robert Ho Tung's (generous) promise to provide such money as might be necessary for the payment of post settlement half pay, under the conditions of the agreement.

The payment of half pay during the strike up to the date of the return to work was a matter for the companies concerned. It was understood that the administrator referred to would be appointed when circumstances required his services.

No date was actually fixed for the general return to work; for on the publication of the settlement the seamen in Hongkong flocked back to their ships at once. Those who had returned to Canton and the country during the strike returned in troops during the next few days, and as far as is known all found employment at once. The officials of the Seamen's Union were given facilities to watch the signing on of crews; and it was understood that they would bring to notice cases where difficulties arose over reinstatement or re-employment. No single case of the nature was brought to notice by the Union officials or through any other channel; and the circumstances made it highly improbable that any such cases existed, for all of the many ships that had been detained in the Harbour on account of the strike were hurried away to sea as soon as crews could be found for them.

Related Demands.
Nothing further in fact was heard of the post settlement conditions of the agreement until October 7—seven months after the date of settlement. On and after that date Sir Robert Ho Tung received demands from the Seamen's Union for large sums on account of pre-settlement and of post settlement half pay, making a total of some \$340,000 in all. Sir Robert replied, asking that the claims should be forwarded to the proper quarter for examination in the first instance and the correctness of the individual amounts be verified and apportionments certified before he could make the disbursements falling on him to pay through the "appointed Administrator."

Conditions Honoured.
On October 26 in consequence the Seamen's Union duly presented their claim to the Chairman of the Shipowners' Committee, who invoked the assistance of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs in its consideration. A test case showed at once that accounts entered in the bill for pre-settlement half pay had already been paid and witnessed by representatives of the Union; and immediate enquiries from a few important companies revealed the fact that the shipowners generally had duly discharged their liabilities in this connection. Normal conditions

A "WRONG SEIZURE" FORTUNES OF A LOCAL LIGHTER. MR. JENKIN'S CONTENTION.

Permission having been granted yesterday afternoon to Mr. C. G. Alabaster to file a counter-claim, the case this morning concerning the alleged wrongful conversion of the lighter "Chuen On" centred round the facts of the counter-claim.

Mr. Alabaster claimed \$1,418.45, the balance owing on account of repairs to the lighter and on account of which the lighter had been sold.

BRISK BIDDING.

TO-DAY'S HOTEL SALVAGE FIRE.

KOWLOON CARPET SALE.

There was a large attendance at the sale rooms of Lamert Bros., this morning when bedroom and other furniture salvaged from the Hongkong Hotel fire was put up for auction.

Bidding was brisk and good prices were realised for the washstands, boudoirs, wardrobes, bedroom chairs and sofas, light fittings, etc.

This is the first of several sales of salvaged furniture and effects from the Hotel. The next will be on Saturday at noon.

Carpets salvaged from the Hotel give little appearance of ill effects and the sale of these should provide opportunity for acquiring valuable additions to household fittings. As at present arranged, the sale is to take place at the Steam Laundry, Kowloon.

GOVERNOR'S TOUR. FURTHER INSPECTION OF POLICE STATIONS.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Cecil Clementi, made a tour of inspection of the Police Stations on the mainland yesterday morning accompanied by Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, C.I.E. (Captain Superintendent of Police).

The stations visited were the Water Police, Yau-mai and Sham-shui-po. A visit was also made to the Kowloon Fire Station.

HOME MAIL.

The s.s. "President Cleveland" arrived this morning with a mail from the U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai.

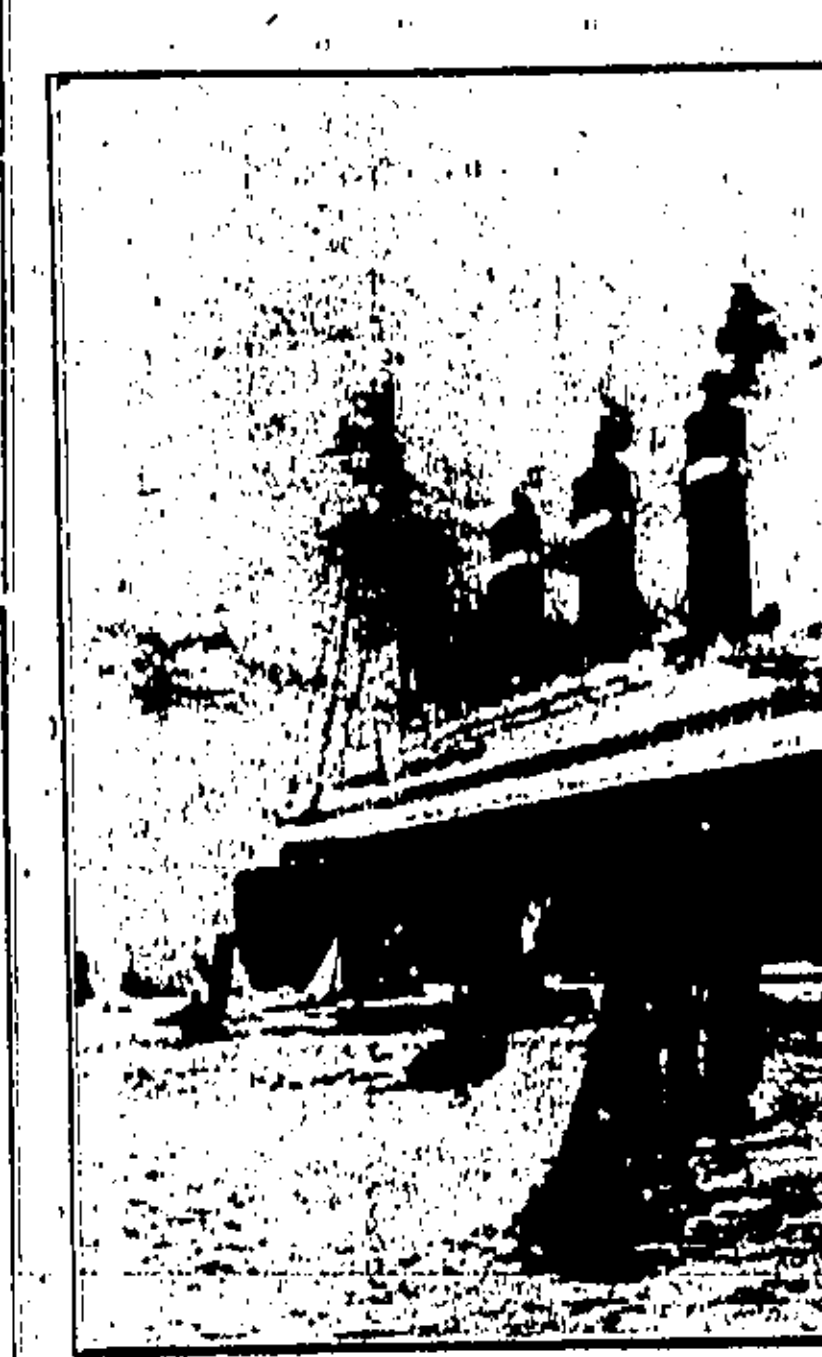
A letter mail from Europe via Siberia was also brought by this vessel.

GREAT LINER HERE. 400 TOURISTS "INVADE" HONGKONG.

TO-DAY'S PLANS.

NEW TERRITORIES AND MACAO VISITS.

As she lay at A3 buoy this morning, the Red Star liner "Belgenland" was the object of considerable interest. Although the round-the-world cruiser was nearer to the city than on the occasion of her visit here last year, when she lay at the Admiralty buoy, the ferry did not go near enough for her size to be fully appreciated. The "Belgenland" holds the local record of being the largest steamer to enter Hongkong harbour, also the world's records as



The Red Star Liner "Belgenland."

being the largest steamer to have crossed the Pacific, and the largest steamer to have completely circled the globe. She is 27,200 tons gross and the ninth largest liner in the world.

The "Belgenland" has been accommodated at the A3 buoy as that is a typhoon buoy with a 100 tons concrete block and 3½ feet chain which should afford ample insurance against break aways even for such a large liner.

This morning, some of the "Belgenland's" four hundred passengers were observed buying jade, embroidery, etc., and expressing appreciation in no uncertain terms of the picturesque beauties of Hongkong. The liberality displayed in the purchase of souvenirs of travel betokened that the passengers are intent on getting what they want and as a result of their visit the local shopkeepers will benefit considerably. There are several millionaires among the passengers.

The party will be here for five days in the course of which a different tour will be arranged each day for the various groups into which the passengers have been divided. Tiffin at the Hongkong Hotel and Repulse Bay Hotel was on the programme for a large group this morning. Seventy-six went to Macao this morning by the s.s. "Taishan," the hour of the departure of which was delayed

until 9.30 in order that they might be accommodated. Other parties have reserved this trip for tomorrow and Saturday, groups of 100 each having arranged to see Macao on those days. Fleets of motor cars have been engaged for the purpose of enabling the tourists to see the beauties of the New Territories.

SPECIAL RICHIA COOLIES.
Over a hundred chair and richia coolies have been engaged by arrangement between the American Express Company and the police especially for the service of the "Belgenland" passengers during their visit here. The arrangement is that the coolies carry a special badge and no direct payment is made, each coolie being paid a fixed sum by the organisers. The chairs and richias are placed at certain convenient depots.

In addition to the men of professional and business prominence

who are now enjoying their visit to Hongkong there is Mrs. Jesse Burnett, of Indianapolis, a quiet and pretty woman who won the trip round the world for herself and her husband by writing an essay entitled "What the Movies Mean to Me"; also Miss Mildred Maud Rogers, who represents the live, jolly girl of the Far West and who, was recently crowned Queen of the famous Pendleton Oregon Rodeo.

The head of the great power and traction enterprise at Niagara Falls, and the original owner of the riparian rights of the falls, sometimes termed the "men who own Niagara," in the persons of Mr. Schoellkopf and Mr. Porter, are other interesting visitors to Hongkong.

A former U.S. Commissioner of Immigration, Mr. Robert E. Todd, is also a passenger. He thinks that "five years is too short a time for any foreigner to become a naturalised American. There is too much of a rush to make American citizens out of foreigners."

A FAMOUS SCIENTIST.
Successful atomic energy experiments are what have made famous the name of Mr. B. A. McAffee. By constant experimenting it is hoped that eventually the electrons which make up atoms can have their unlimited energy released and this can be used to create electricity.

Prominent among the women on the trip is Miss Mary Winsor, of Haverford, Pennsylvania, a member of the National Council of the National Woman's Party of America, and a representative of other progressive interests. While in Japan she gave several addresses upon different phases of the feminist movement.

A news sheet is produced on board with wireless news and notes on places visited or to be visited. A laundry takes care of the needs of more than a thousand persons, using sixteen pounds of soap daily, twelve pounds of water softener and five pounds of starch.

Both the Red Star Line and the American Express Co., which has charge of the shore travel and educational features of the cruise, are represented by a staff and under the joint management it has been found by experience that every detail of travel on ship and ashore is carefully arranged and carried out without a hitch.

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An unusual honour for a world cruise trip was the blessing of the "Belgenland" by Cardinal Mercier, Primate of Belgium, and a notable figure in history. This ceremony took place at Antwerp before her initial voyage.

MEDICAL MEN MEET.

EUROPEAN AND CHINESE PRACTITIONERS.

LOCAL FRATERNISING.

At the Hongkong Hotel last evening, the European medical practitioners of the Colony entertained their Chinese confreres at dinner. A large number were present, the chair being taken by Professor J. Anderson. At the close of the dinner, Professor J. Anderson proposed the toast to the King and the Republic of China and read the following message from His Excellency the Governor, Sir Cecil Clementi:

"Few things are more important for the future of Hongkong than that there should be wholehearted co-operation between the European and Chinese sections of the community, and in no matter is such co-operation more valuable than in questions relating to public health and the cure and prevention of disease. But in order that there may be co-operation, there must first be that mutual understanding and appreciation of Western and Eastern ideals and modes of life, which can best be obtained by friendly social intercourse."

"I have, therefore, heard with very great pleasure that the European medical practitioners, registered in Hongkong, have invited to dinner the Chinese medical practitioners who are similarly registered; and I cordially hope that this dinner may prove to be the first of a series at which the European and Chinese doctors of the Colony will annually meet and entertain each other."

After reading this message, the Chairman, in the name of the European doctors, extended a welcome to the Chinese practitioners.

Dr. Lee, the President of the China Medical Association, replied. A toast to the British Medical Association was then proposed by Dr. Jau Hawk and suitably replied to by Dr. Strahan. This was followed by a toast by Dr. Addison to the China Medical Association to which Dr. S. C. Ho replied.

One of the doctors who is attending His Majesty, went into the bedroom where he lay coughing, and inquired if there was anything he could do for him.

"Nothing," said the King with a smile. "I am only sorry to think that I should be such a nuisance." "London Evening News."

THE FLOWER SHOW.

FEATURES OF LAST YEAR'S EXHIBITS.

SOCIETY'S ANNUAL REVIEW.

The annual report for 1925 of the Hongkong Horticultural Society for the annual meeting to be held a week to-day, December 31, states:—

The annual Show of Flowers and Vegetables was held at the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps Headquarters on Thursday, March 5, 1925, and proved very successful. The number of entries particularly in the Peak vegetable classes showed a satisfactory increase over the previous year, and the general standard of the exhibits was well up to average.

A new feature of the show was an excellent display of ferns with a very instructive description of each variety exhibited by the Hongkong Botanical Gardens, while Mr. Ho Kom-tong's sweet peas and vegetables and Mr. R. A. Nicholson's roses which have almost become a regular feature of the Show were as usual greatly admired.

His Excellency Sir R. E. Stubbs, K.C.M.G., accompanied by His Private Secretary visited the Show early in the afternoon and evinced much interest in the display. The band of the East Surrey Regiment played an excellent selection of music throughout the afternoon, and Mrs. Gompertz very kindly distributed the prizes at the close of the exhibition.

The Committee desires to express its thanks to Lt.-Colonel Bird and Officers for the use of the Volunteer Headquarters and parade ground for the Show, also to the Capt. Supt. of Police, the Superintendent of the Botanical Gardens, Mr. L. Gibbs, and to all those ladies and gentlemen who rendered valuable assistance in various capacities, as well as to the Judges and censors and to all who kindly contributed towards the Prize Fund.

The ordinary membership of the Society fell off considerably during the year and now stands at only 175, but it is hoped that interest will be revived during the coming season.

From "Putnam Book News":—"I want to get a good novel to read on the train—something pathetic" said a woman to a book salesman. "Let me see." How would "The Last Days of Pompeii" do?" asked the salesman. "Pompeii?" I never heard of him. What did he die of?" "I'm not quite sure, ma'am," replied the salesman, "some kind of eruption, I've heard."

SMOKING VULGAR.

AND GLUTTONY A VIRTUE.

THE HICKEY MEMOIRS.

The final instalment of the now famous Memoirs of William Hickey will be welcomed by all who remember the inimitable spirit and liveliness in the earlier volumes, of which the first appeared in 1913. They gave a most entertaining picture of eighteenth-century society and travel—in the West Indies, in London, and in India—and incidentally achieved a success which they thoroughly deserved.

The new volume is as good as ever, and no one should miss it. But it shows Hickey growing old, no longer with the wild zest for adventure which he showed in his youth.

One of the facts which the memoirs bring out is the strange antipathy to smoking. Thus in the "East Indian Warren Hastings" in 1790, we read:

Captain Larkins told me that upon no account would he allow smoking on board his ship, but having neglected to direct his officers to prevent the admission of hookahs and finding the military passengers had been for three days in constant use of them, he deemed it better to let them continue than give offence by putting a stop to them.

ASHAMED OF SMOKING.

Any servants, it seems, then smoked:

"My friend Arthur Forrest, who from habit was uncomfortable unless he had a couple of cheroots between breakfast and dinner, but at the same time feeling ashamed of the vulgarity of the act, usually shut himself in his own chamber to use them."

The culprit was shown to strangers, "using so vulgar a habit," and "looking excessively foolish," much as a wild animal might be exhibited.

Table manners even then were of great importance:

General Clarke kept an excellent table (in India), but had some peculiarities that gave great offence to several of his guests; for instance, he could not bear to see any dish removed from one part of the table to another, nor any person to attempt carving what stood before him until the whole course was completely set and arranged; to take salt with the point of a knife deranged him beyond measure.

The meals were monstrous and the amount of wine and spirits consumed almost fabulous in such a hot climate as that of Bengal.

After drinking two and twenty bumpers in glasses of considerable magnitude the considerate President said everyone might then fill according to his own discretion, and so discreet were all of the company that we continued to follow the colonel's example of drinking nothing short of bumpers until two o'clock in the morning, at which hour each person staggered to his carriage or his palanquin, and was conveyed to town.

Small wonder that Hickey has to confess suffering from an "excruciating headache" next morning.

Hickey must have enjoyed intense vitality since, though he frequently suffered from "stomach pains," he survived to a green antiquity and only died in 1830. One of his friends was that Rose Aymer whose death drew from Landon the exquisite lines which Charles Lamb thought the finest short poem in our language:

Ah, what avails the sceptred race,

Ah, what the form divine?

What every virtue, every grace?

Rose Aymer, all were thine.

Hickey brings us down to earth with his account of this divine being:

The poor young lady, instead of becoming a bride, was doomed to sink into a premature grave. She was attacked with a most severe bowel complaint, brought on entirely by indulging too much with that mischievous and dangerous fruit, the pineapple, against eating so much of which I had frequently cautioned her, but instead of my remonstrances being attended to, they only excited her mirth, and she laughed at me for my grave sermons, as she termed what I said upon the subject.

"Very charming and lovely," she perished in 1800 at the age of only 17.

Angry and Beated Passenger: "What good are the figures set down in these railway time tables?"

Genial Station-master: "Why, if it weren't for them figures we'd have no way of finding out how late the trains are."

"MR. A." DRAMA.

SENTENCE ON CAPTAIN ARTHUR.

SIR HARI SINGH'S FORMER A.D.C.

With the sentence of thirteen months' imprisonment passed on Captain C. W. A. Arthur by the court in Paris, the curtain is rung down on one of the most amazing criminal conspiracies of modern times. The case of "Mr. A." will always be remembered and will often be quoted in our courts of justice; and the developments will form the theme of many novels, plays and essays on the association of the Orient and the Occident.

Before Mr. Charles Robinson, turf accountant, who has just been gazetted as a bankrupt, brought his action against the Midland Bank claiming his share of a large sum which had been paid by "Mr. A." to a gang of blackmailers. "I knew that very shortly society would be startled and moralists shocked by revelations to be made of the passionate intrigue between an Indian of ranked rank and Mr. Robinson's attractive wife."

When the case was heard the identity of the Indian was concealed, though it was known to many, openly exploited in the American and Continental Press. This led several to make wild guesses, which reflected upon the honour of innocent men. Eventually it was officially stated that "Mr. A." was really Sir Hari Singh, the legal successor to the throne of the Maharajah of Kashmir—"the land of nightingales and roses." The civilisation, which Mr. Robinson lost, was followed by criminal process when Mr. Hobbs, an accountant, was accused of conspiracy and received a sentence of two years' imprisonment.

APPALLING CONSPIRACY.

The story which was disclosed was remarkable and appalling. There had been a conspiracy which led to Sir Hari Singh—who met Mrs. Robinson at a Victory Ball—being entertained at the woman's house, where she had a room furnished in Oriental style and "a bedroom over which hung an electric bulb shaped like a Cupid." The scene then removed to a fashionable hotel in Paris, where on Christmas Eve Sir Hari met Mrs. Robinson, and where they were "surprised" by the sudden entrance of Montague Noel Newton, who has since changed his name by deed poll. Newton—man of pose and fashion—assumed the rôle of a distressed and indignant husband; and it was soon indicated that the only way in which the Indian potentate could save himself from the disgrace of a public appearance in the Divorce Court was by paying a huge sum as hush money. As a fact he did pay two cheques each for a quarter of a million pounds, though only one of them was presented for payment and duly honoured.

THE LION'S SHARE.

Then came the division of the plunder. Hobbs apparently received the lion's share. There was, however, another figure in this crook drama—Captain Arthur. He had been A.D.C. to Sir Hari Singh, and it was urged that he had been the instrument through which the blackmail was levied, and that he had himself received a considerable fortune. The Treasury here wished to prosecute him for his part in the conspiracy. They made application for the extradition of the captain from France. He was arrested by officers of the Sûreté (the Scotland Yard of Paris) and thrown into prison.

EFFECTS OF CONFINEMENT.

He was now charged with "receiving, knowing it to have been improperly obtained, part of the proceeds of a cheque given by Sir Hari Singh." "You married and were divorced," said the judge, adding, "You had one child." "That is so," replied Captain Arthur, his voice trailing away into a whisper which could scarcely be heard.

"Ah!" The Judge bent over his papers searching for some document. Suddenly he looked up. "We received a communication from your wife. She declared that it is not conceivable to her that you can have been guilty of the offence with which you are charged, and she also states that it was on account of your extravagance and to protect her child's estate that she had asked for a divorce—is that so?" There was a moment's pause. "Yes," said Capt. Arthur presently. Then the Judge struck a kindly note. "This letter from your wife," he held it in his outstretched hand as he spoke, "says that you were a gallant gentleman and acceded to her desire, and made the wrongdoing appear to be yours."

Captain Arthur said that he left everything which he possessed to his wife. Later he told how he had fought in the South Africa War and in the great war when

THEFT OF KEYS.

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SLEEPERS ROBBED.

Police suspect the administration of anaesthetics in a series of robberies which have been carried out in Manchester recently.

In every case thieves have broken into houses, taken the householders' keys from their bedrooms, and using the keys, have robbed their business offices in the city. Not once has anyone in the houses been distributed.

Mr. J. L. McIntyre, manager for Swan and Leach, tourist agents, the tenth business man in Manchester to be robbed in this way lately, told a "Daily Mail" reporter that he is an unusually light sleeper, but he did not hear anyone in his bedroom. He said:

Perhaps the man blew gas, similar to that used by dentists, into the room. My wife had a headache the next morning. I have heard of another man who is sure that he was chloroformed. He did not wake up until midday the next day.

The morning before our house was broken into our dog disappeared, and we have not seen it since. My keys and a £1 note were gone from my trousers pocket, and about £50 was taken from the safe at the office.

A woman, with her little girl, was seated in a railway carriage, when a villainous-looking man entered the compartment.

A few minutes before the train started, the woman, realising that she was to travel with her undesirable companion, thought of an excuse to rid herself of him.

Leaning forward, she said—"I ought to tell you that my little girl is just getting over an attack of scarlet fever, and perhaps—"

"Oh, don't worry about me, mum," interrupted the man. "I'm committing suicide when we get to the first tunnel."

he volunteered and was given rank as a captain of artillery. The Judge, in the course of an address to the prisoner, showed something of the skill of a sensational dramatist.

LIKE A FILM.

"It is like a film scene," he declared "and has all the constituent parts of a play. You have pretty women, a Rajah of personal attractions and enormously rich. You have love episodes, a jealous husband and traitors."

In his defence, Maître Pierre Lery made an impassioned speech, in which he pointed out that Captain Arthur had written to Sir Hari Singh last March begging him to send a testimony to his honour and integrity. But no reply was forthcoming. In the end Captain Arthur was found guilty, and was sentenced to pay a fine of £5 and to serve 13 months' imprisonment. This, according to the law of France, which enacts that all the time spent in prison whilst awaiting trial shall be counted, and the usual remission be allowed, meant an almost immediate discharge from custody. Thus has ended one of the most unsavoury affairs that has ever been the subject of police investigation.



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KOTU MARU ... The day 23rd Jan. at 8 a.m.
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VIEWS OF CHANCELLOR OF EXCHEQUER.

DEPARTMENTAL SACRIFICE.

(Reuter's Service.)

Leeds, Jan. 20.

"If the Government was supported in the economy scheme which it has prepared, no addition to the burden of taxation will be necessary," declared Mr. Winston Churchill, Chancellor of the Exchequer, speaking at the Leeds Chamber of Commerce, but if the economy scheme was pulled to pieces and whittled down, the bill must be paid.
He announced that when Parliament met an Economy Bill would be introduced covering the whole field of expenditure. Every Department would be asked to make sacrifices. He declared that the policy of true economy was not complete if it did not provide for wise expenditure.

THE MAIN MEASURE.

The Government's main constructive measure would be a great scheme of electrical development. "If this is to be continued to support the present immense population it cannot afford to be behind any part of the world in scientific organisation and equipment. Science and good will are the only two horses strong enough to pull our wagon up the hill."
Mr. Churchill mentioned that the coal subsidy would probably approximate £21,000,000, three-quarters of which would go in paying the wages of the miners.

HOOVER CRITICISED.

HANDLING OF THE RUBBER SITUATION.

INCONSISTENCY EXPOSED.

(Reuter's American Service.)

New York, Jan. 20.
Sharp criticism of Mr. Herbert Hoover's handling of the rubber situation is voiced by the Democratic organ, "The World," contending that Mr. Hoover's actions throughout are full of inconsistencies. He attacks the British trust, but seems to forget that he belongs to a Government that believes in protecting American trusts by the highest possible tariff. Similarly, he insists that he does not wish to advise retaliatory measures, but recently he expressed the view that public opinion would demand the American banks to refuse loans to Great Britain if the Stevenson Rubber Restriction Act remained in force.

FOKKER MISSING.

FEARS FOR THE PILOT AND OBSERVER.

LOST IN SNOWSTORM?

(Reuter's Service.)

Amsterdam, Jan. 20.
Grave misgivings are felt regarding the fate of the pilot and observer of an Army Fokker, which left Schiphol yesterday for coastal defence practice.
It is feared that they got lost in a snowstorm.
The destroyer made a search in the sea, but it was fruitless.

TOKYO FLIGHT.

DANISH MILITARY PROJECT FINALISING.

DEPOTS AT KARACHI & BANGKOK.

(Reuter's Service.)

Copenhagen, Jan. 20.
Arrangements are being completed for a Danish military flight to Tokyo.
Spare parts are being despatched to Karachi, which will be one of three main depots for the service of the flight, the others being Bangkok and Tokyo.

STRIKE THREAT.

FRENCH MINERS WANT MORE WAGES.

REFERENDUM TO BE TAKEN.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, Jan. 20.

"The National Council of the Federation of French Mine Workers has adopted a resolution declaring that unless wages are increased by January 21, to compensate for the increased cost of living, a referendum will be taken on the question of a general strike of French miners."

MORE FLOODS.

PORTUGUESE COLONY AFFECTED.

FIVE INCHES OF RAIN.

(Reuter's Service.)

Beira, Jan. 20.

Unprecedented rains in the low-lying Portuguese territory between Umtali and Beira have resulted in serious floods, which have caused a complete suspension of train, mail, and telegraphic services between Rhodesia and Beira.
Many natives have been drowned. Others, took refuge in trees and have been brought to Beira by motor boats.
The average rainfall in the district yesterday was five inches.

"MERE BANDITRY."

MURDERS OF BOLSHEVIST OFFICIALS.

MOSCOW'S VERSION.

(Reuter's Service.)

Moscow, January 20.

A semi-official version of the murders in the Bobruisk district states that they were mere banditry and had no political significance.

[A Riga message of January 15 stated:—It is reported that much unrest prevails among the peasantry in various parts of Soviet Russia, particularly in the Ukraine and White Russia, where armed anti-Bolsheviks are active. Murders of over-zealous Communist officials are reported, chiefly in the Bobruisk district, where the militia and local authorities are alleged to have refused to act against the rebels, and are even co-operating with them.]

MEXICO'S LAWS.

POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES.

STATE SECRETARY SPEAKS OUT.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, Jan. 20.

Mr. Kellogg, Secretary of State, in a formal statement said that in position of the United States in regard to the Mexican Land and Petroleum Laws was that they contained provisions "plainly retroactive, and confiscatory in their effect."

He added that in the absence of a reply from the Mexican Government to the American representations on the subject, delivered on January 9, he was not disposed to comment further.

REPLY RECEIVED.

Mexico City, Jan. 20.

The United States Ambassador has received from the Mexican Foreign Office a reply to his recent Note protesting against retroactive legislation, but declines to discuss its contents.

WILLING TO PAY.

FRENCH DEBT TO UNITED STATES.

COOLIDGE NEEDN'T WORRY.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, Jan. 21.

M. Henry Berenger, the new French Ambassador, told President Coolidge that France is resolved to settle her war debts "as promptly and fully as her present and future possibilities would allow."

Knocked down by a tram car at Kennedy Town yesterday, a Chinese coolie was taken to hospital yesterday with injuries to his face and arms.

The Scotsman away on his annual vacation was head over heels in love with a certain young "girl left behind him." At last he could stand the suspense no longer, and going to the telegraph office, he at once sent off a telegram asking her if she would marry him. That happened in the morning, and he spent the entire day in the office waiting for a reply. That night a call came through accepting him.
"If I were you," said the operator, "when at last he was leaving, 'I should think twice before I'd marry a girl who kept me waiting all day long for an answer.'
"Na, na," retorted the Scot. "The girl who waits for the reduced night rates is the lass for me."—Los Angeles "Times."

BRITISH TRIUMPH.

BIGGEST DAM IN THE WORLD.

SUDAN'S FUTURE ASSURED.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, January 20.

The Makwar dam, which Lord Lloyd will officially inaugurate on Thursday is a triumph of British engineering.
The preparatory work was started in 1914, stopped by the war, and resumed after the war when a loan of three million sterling, previously guaranteed by the British Treasury for the construction was doubled.

The dam and the canalisation for the big irrigation scheme which is ultimately intended to irrigate three million acres, was completed by Messrs. Pearson & Son in July last year.

In the first season 80,000 acres of cotton were irrigated compared with 20,000 acres under the old pumping scheme.

Two Miles Long.

In the first season 800,000 acres of cotton were irrigated, compared with 20,000 acres under the old pumping scheme.

The dam is nearly two miles long, with a maximum height of 128 feet. Nearly a million tons of masonry were used. The reservoir formed above the dam will be a lake 30 miles long.

The total length of the main canal will be 70 miles and its branches 558 miles.

Twenty thousand workmen were employed on the dam, along with a road and railway run. The latter will be eventually extended to Kassala.

A clergyman was having tea with some new parishioners. On the sideboard were some cut-glass decanters filled with what looked like whisky and various other spirits.

"My friend," said the curate to his host, "you should avoid even the appearance of evil. I do not say that you drink, but—
"Why, they're only filled with furniture polish. Mr. Marsh and floor stain. It's the decanters that I like—they look so pretty."
"Exactly," said the curate. "I repeat, avoid even the appearance of evil. I took a drink from the big one in the middle."

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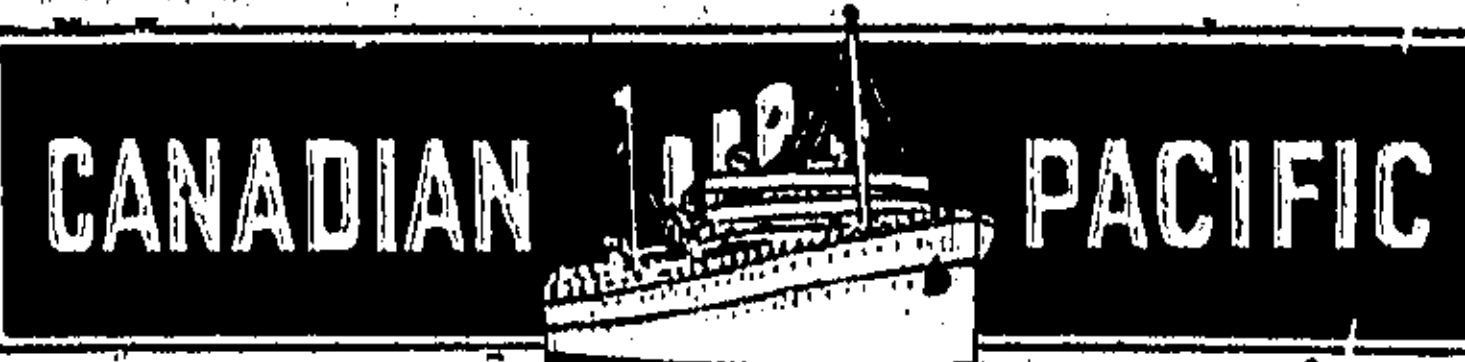
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"KHYBER"	9,114	at 4 p.m. 13rd Jan.	Milos, Casablanca, L'don & A'warp
"ALIFORE"	5,273	at Noon 1st Feb.	Singapore and Bombay
"DELTA"	8,097	4th Feb.	S'pore, Penang, Col'bo & B'bay
"MALWA"	10,941	6th Feb.	Marseilles and London
"MIRZAPUR"	6,715	10th Feb.	S'pore, Penang, Col'bo & Bombay
"KARNATA"	9,089	10th Feb.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MANTUA"	10,908	13th Mar.	Marseilles and London
"KASHMIR"	8,885	13th Mar.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KHYBER"	9,114	20th Mar.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MORRA"	10,918	3rd April	Marseilles and London
"DEVANHA"	8,166	17th April	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KALYAN"	9,141	21st April	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MAEDONIA"	11,089	1st May	Marseilles and London
"KASHGAR"	8,006	15th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	10,941	18th May	Marseilles and London
"KARNATA"	9,089	18th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MANTUA"	10,908	26th June	Marseilles and London
"KASHMIR"	8,885	7th July	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
"KARNATA"	9,089	10th July	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MANTUA"	10,908	24th July	Marseilles and London

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"TALAMBA"	8,015	26th Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TALMA"	10,000	10th Mar.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

"ST ALBANS"	4,500	3rd Feb.	Madras, Iloilo, Sandakan, Thursday
"TANDA"	6,953	3rd Mar.	Iloilo, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney
"ARAFURA"	6,000	7th April	do.
"ST ALBANS"	4,500	6th May	do.
"TANDA"	6,953	2nd June	do.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	7th July	do.

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"KARNATA"	9,128	24th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TILAWA"	10,038	25th Jan.	Amoy, Shanghai, Kobe and Osaka.
"TALAMBA"	8,018	2nd Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"MANTUA"	10,908	6th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"KASHMIR"	8,885	8th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
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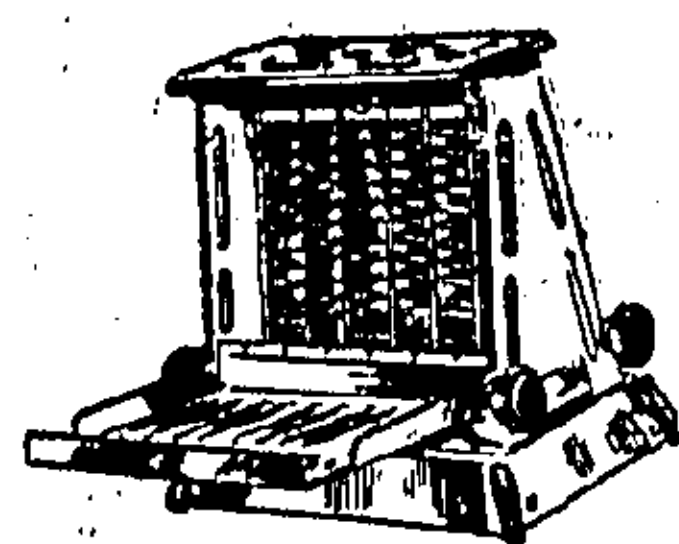
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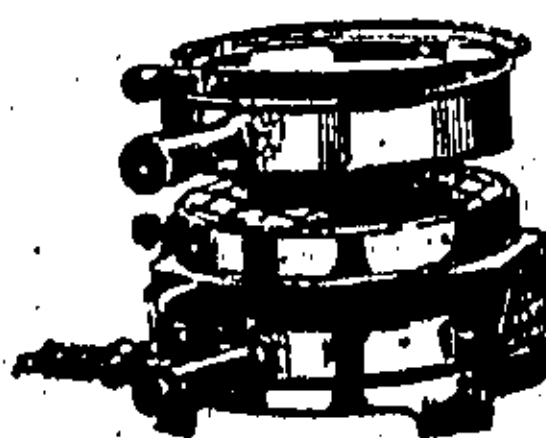
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LORD KITCHENER'S FATE.

The great Duke of Wellington was once walking down St. James's when a complete stranger accosted him with the words, "Mr. Jones, I believe." "If you believe that," replied the Duke, "you will believe anything." The Duke was a ruthless person in many ways, and we have no doubt that he chose to take the stranger's remark in the literal rather than in the conventional sense simply that he might nip any advances in the bud. None the less the scorn of his retort was not without excuse. There are people who will believe anything.

During the war half the nation believed that thousands of Russians passed through the country, that Prince Louis of Battenberg was shot in the Tower for a traitor, and that a Hidden Hand in the neighbourhood of Downing Street was protecting German spies. The credulity that could accept these fantastic tales is as strong as ever, the latest example being the story about Lord Kitchener's "hand-to-hand struggle" with a spy on a lonely rock after the sinking of the "Hampshire," based on the experience of "the 13th survivor."

Written for the London "Referee" by Frank Power, the narrative relates how Lord Kitchener, too weak to help himself, spent a day and two nights on the rock with two other survivors, strangers to each other. Suspicion crossed the mind of the 13th survivor that his other companion was a spy, and he resolved not to leave Lord Kitchener. On the last morning they were together, the survivor yielded to the other subordinate's insistence that he should renew the search and at Lord Kitchener's "almost imperceptible nod" staggered out of sight. What greeted him on his return to the spot Mr. Power describes as follows: "All he saw was the hat of the Field Marshal on the edge of the rock and some objects being tossed about by the waves, one of which, to his fast-falling vision, appeared to be clinging to a large piece of driftwood."

This story has, of course, been promptly denied by the Admiralty who have only had to cite the

facts to demolish it entirely, since they all point to the sinking of the "Hampshire" as being no more than a lucky accident for the Germans. These facts as set forth in official statements by the Admiralty show that on June 2 Lord Kitchener was still hesitating about his visit to Russia, that he did not get the wire from Petrograd until the afternoon of June 3 assuring him that he would be welcomed, and that not until then did he finally decide to make the journey.

Thus in the words of Mr. J. G. Lockhart, "to whose book, 'Mysteries of the Sea,' we are indebted for a summary of the facts, we are told, firstly, that by a terrible piece of treachery the news of the journey was sent to Germany; secondly, that the method of communication employed by the traitor or traitors was so efficient that the most secret decisions of the British Cabinet became known almost as soon as they were taken; thirdly, that within forty-eight hours of the news of Lord Kitchener's plans reaching Berlin, a German submarine was able to lay mines off the north coast of Scotland; fourthly, that the submarine commander, by a truly marvellous piece of thought-reading, anticipated that Admiral Jellicoe would alter the 'Hampshire's' route at the last moment; and finally, that of two alternative routes the submarine commander chose the right one for his operations!"

Two further points only have to be demolished to dispose of the "Referee" story once and for all. The first is that the Admiralty have been suppressing facts in connection with Lord Kitchener's death. Against the unsubstantiated charges of the rumour-mongers we have the emphatic statement of the First Lord of the Admiralty, "It is absolutely untrue," said Mr. Bridgeman in the House of Commons, when questioned about the "Referee" report, "that the Admiralty have held back important papers that would throw a new light on this disaster, and I may add that the allegation that spies had on a former occasion been found on the 'Hampshire' and shot is a ridiculous and wicked fabrication."

The other point, that Lord Kitchener may have succeeded in reaching the shore, is disposed of by the testimony of several of the twelve survivors, one of whom is certain from what he saw that Lord Kitchener went down with the "Hampshire," standing on her deck at the time. A few days later the body of Lord Kitchener's faithful friend, Colonel Fitzgerald, was washed ashore, and as Mr. Lockhart remarks, surely he was one of those who stood by the side of his chief in that last hour. Lord Kitchener's body was never recovered. May we not suppose that his body would have been found if the alleged hand-to-hand struggle really did take place just off the rocks?

The facts cited above demolish the "Referee" story but we do not suppose they will convince the credulous. There were people who would not believe that Lord Kitchener had been drowned at

all—they were satisfied that the "Hampshire" had been sunk, not by a mine, but by a torpedo fired from a German submarine, whose commander, they said, carried Lord Kitchener a captive to Germany, this in spite of the fact that no submarine could possibly have attacked the "Hampshire" in the prevailing weather, and the positive evidence that the disaster was caused by a mine.

ADVANCEMENT.

A day's news may give cause for great anxiety. Very often it can give cause for much rejoicing. Yesterday's cable and wireless news had outstanding evidence of the latter fact. In different fields of endeavour there is that which proves that men's minds are fixed in channels leading to advancement. The results of certain cancer research work was perhaps the sensation of the medical year of 1925. It was pointed out that those engaged in the Nobel Prize Committee. Anything done towards counteracting the work of this dread disease deserves such help as can come from the munificence of a Nobel prize. But Dr. Gye and his colleagues, we may be sure, had no ulterior motives in the quiet, steady and unassuming work to which they set their hands. The most important part of their problem, they state has been solved, and already there is a sufficient sum of money to establish the first of what may be a series of cancer research centres in England. The conquest of the air continues to be the special work of more than a few. Air passengers to Australia seem to be only a question of time. "Possibly in the very near future" to quote the official in charge of Britain's air service, airships will be in existence able to carry a hundred passengers and baggage from Britain to Australia. With Singapore as a possible "base," the matter becomes more real and interesting to us in Hongkong. If research work had been centred on the submarine with a view to making it an effective weapon in maritime commerce, instead of perfecting it as a weapon of destruction, what a different state of affairs would be in existence. Persia, having ousted a spendthrift Shah, and taken to herself a progressive ruler, listens to a proposal for the construction of a railway across the country. Roads and railways are the evident signs of a country's prosperity. We may be sure that in this simple and signal piece of progressive idea, Persia places herself in line with modern thought. A railway as a fact accomplished means a more prosperous Persia, but also a more prosperous world. All these facts of advancement are all the better for being more international than they are insular. It may not appear so with regard to the suggestion of an air-service to Australia; but some good may come of it if only as an incentive to others to bridge long distances in this way. History may be a cordial for drooping spirits. But so also may be a few cables dealing with the achievements of those whose thoughts are sunk in progress. "This 'ere progress' as H. G. Wells made one of his characters, say,—"why—it's always going on."

Brighter Cables.

Press cablegrams are costly—hence the welcome given to the British official service inaugurated since the opening of the world's greatest radio station at Rugby. The cost and the necessity for brevity notwithstanding, Reuter occasionally manages to introduce "the lighter vein," which must rejoice the hearts of the sub-editors at a loss for bright headings. For, with a certain section of the reading public, "headings" are the thing. With dull stale, and uninteresting headlines the most important cabled news of the day may suffer the awful fate of being completely ignored. Something, for instance, about the Hungarian bank notes scandal may be passed over; but, as was the case this week, let Reuter quote Count Apponyi as saying that "the wasps' nest of forgers must be smoked out," and immediately brightness replaces dullness in the headings and the whole world reads this particular item of news. Few outside the "Gallant Forty-Two" (or whatever number it may be) Canadians here may have been greatly interested in the vote of confidence carried in the Canadian House of Commons in favour of the Government; but Reuter impressively told us of the "loud cheers" which greeted the end of the political tempest—and immediately it became an item worth reading by all local residents. Similarly—and finally—the Paris Press views on the re-

SHREDS AND PATCHES.

JANUARY 21
St. AGNES' DAY.
Since the Reformation, St. Agnes has by degrees lost her consequence in England as superstition has subsided; though rural virgins in the north are yet said to practise some singular rites, in keeping "What they call St. Agnes' Fast, for the purpose of discovering this future husbands."

No doubt you have heard of Othello's CHARACTER. An African sort of a fellow.
When they said, "You are black,"
He cried, "Take it back!"
I am only an exquisite yellow.

To the terms high-brow and low-brow has to be added mezzo-brow. Such distinctions help. The term has been applied to Mr. Nigel Playfair in connection with his book on the Lyric Theatre. "A mezzo-brow he, there is nothing extravagantly impractical in his approach to..."
The test is, are you "extravagantly impractical?" If so, you are not a mezzo-brow. Get us?

Good king Wenches was actually a king after all we have said in this column, for we are reminded that Otto I conferred regal dignity upon him. According to his chief historian it was not a drunken brawl but his brother's bigotry that ended his life. But the story is shrouded in legend, and the authority of his biographer has been widely questioned. Well, it was a thousand years ago, and the Church canonised him, showing her high opinion of his character.

shuffling of the Soviet Government may not have been hailed as exactly epoch-making and so might have been ignored. But Reuter, conscientious as ever, imparts the tit-bit from the "Petit Journal" that "the Soviet Government is being compelled to reverse engines under pressure from the peasants and small tradesmen"; and instantly the cablegram takes on an air almost of gaiety. "Give us this day our daily news," as the cry of the average newspaper reader seems to be replaced by: "Give us this day brighter news and brighter cables." It is "up" to Reuter to continue his laudable efforts to grant this humble prayer, supported by the blue-pencil brigade of the newspapers.

Rugby's wonder wireless station, we would mention for the benefit of reader who has made inquiry, belongs to the British people, having been erected by the Government for broadcasting news to all parts of the world. The news is received here by the d'Aguilar station.

FURTHER PROGRESS.

HOTEL'S NEW LOUNGE OPENS.

The pleasure and admiration with which the public has watched the Hongkong Hotel's energetic measures to restore its full services, after the recent disastrous fire, will be further enhanced today by the opening of the new tea lounge on the first floor to take the place formerly held by the Hotel corridor in the Colony's social life. The new lounge is much more spacious than the old one, taking in part of the corridor, all the reading room, and part of the verandah, the reading room wall having been demolished to give the full sweep of space. Entirely new furnishings have been used throughout. Dainty skilful touches complete the pleasing appearance.

Further steps in the remodeling of the new wing to make it a self-contained hotel complete in every respect, are the making of Messrs. Powell's gentlemen's department into the reception office, and the turning of Messrs. Lane, Crawford's ladies department into a ground-floor lounge on the same lines as the old ground-floor lounge in the main building. A broad stairway will lead to the upstairs lounge, "Beattie's Bar," the new reading room (formerly the small sitting room), the barber's shop, and the dining room. Thus every inch of space will be used to the greatest advantage, and the service offered to the public will be as good as, if not actually better than, it was before the fire.

One year we go a bit made over come a n d Couleism. Twelve months later mah jong comes along and we proceed to go creekoo in our wrestlings with east winds and west winds, dragons, bamboos and what not. Before we can recover, the cross-word puzzle devastates the country. Old men and maidens, matrons and youths grow lopsided from carrying a load of gazetteers, cyclopedias, and dictionaries. What is it to be this year?

French doctors PORT VINDICATED, have been making experiments on sensitive subjects with the "different varieties of wine, and have come to the conclusion that red burgundy and not port is the particular enemy of those afflicted with gout. What renders red burgundy such a dangerous beverage is a question which has yet to be answered. All modern investigations go to prove that it is not the alcohol in it, and there is some reason to suppose that the soil of some neighbourhoods has an effect on the gout-producing quality of this wine.

How a remarkable novel came to be written is told by Mr. Pett Ridge, Lord Balfour, addressing the Royal Literary Society, gave Mr. Arnold Bennett an idea for a novel:—"He mentioned—and I took his account to be the accents of regret—that novelists had ceased to write full and complete histories, starting with the arrival of the monthly nurse and ending with the message to the undertaker. He suggested that an appetite bigotry existed for this model, and that a reversion to it would be welcomed. Arnold Bennett was there. I'm going to take this tip," he said. In due course there appeared that remarkably fine book, 'The Old Wives' Tale.'"

NATION'S HONOUR.

"GREAT CONFRONTATION" IN BANK NOTE CASE.

HUNGARIAN ASSEMBLY "SCENES."

(Reuter's Service.)

Budapest, January 20.
"There is going to be a great confrontation," promised Dr. Bethlen (the Premier), in a speech in the Assembly, debating the bank note scandal.

The Assembly was packed with Deputies and members of the public. The proceedings were most animated.

Much of Dr. Bethlen's speech was inaudible above the din of the Left Party members loudly joining in the chorus "Resign," and counter-demonstration by Government supporters, standing and cheering the Premier.

The latter emphasised that the Government was not evading its responsibility.

The question of ascertaining the facts was the business of the Courts rather than of the Government, though the Government wished to clear up the political background if such existed.

The Premier repeated that there was no trace of any revolutionary schemes.

Socialists' Fury.
Dr. Bethlen read extracts from the foreign Press about the situation in Hungary, which caused great hilarity among the Ministerialists, but roused the Socialists to fury.

Dr. Bethlen said that these wild reports were due to perverse propaganda by refugees abroad. It was a conspiracy against the honour of the nation. He emphasised the conservative character of the Government, which in nowise was counter-revolutionary but meant to respect the existing international situation, in spite of the efforts of the malcontents to terminate the Trianon Treaty.

Another Arrest.
Budapest, Jan. 20.
The latest arrest in connection with the bank notes affair is an engineer named Johann Stitz on a charge of collusion with the alleged forgers.

Political Investigation.
Budapest, Later.
As the result of an agreement between the Government and the Opposition a Parliament Commission of 25 members is to be appointed to investigate the political side of the bank note affair. It will be entitled to summon all persons whose evidence is required. The meetings of the commission will be most secret.

COMPANY MEETING.

"TERRITORIAL" CAPITAL INCREASED.

PREFERENCE SHARES CREDITED.

An increase in the capital of half a million dollars—allocated to one shareholder—was voted at an extraordinary general meeting of the Hongkong and Territorial Estates, Ltd., held this morning at the office of Messrs. Shewan, Tomes & Co. (general managers).

Mr. R. G. Shewan, president, presided. Members of the consulting committee present were Messrs. E. M. Raymond, J. Scott Harston, T. G. Weath, Tong Hok-ting.

Shareholders attending included Messrs. A. L. Shields, I. W. Shewan, R. Farrant, D. W. Munton, A. Keith, H. Dreyer, J. Teppin, A. A. Botche.

After Mr. A. Braun (manager and secretary) had read the notice, the chairman said:

"Gentlemen.—The object of the Resolutions in the Notice just read is simply to raise further Working Capital. This would not have been necessary had the Final Calls on Shares been fully met, but I am sorry to say that about \$296,250 is still outstanding."

"Although we are taking steps to secure payment of this amount as far as possible, the circumstances obtaining at the present time are such as to render this a matter of difficulty."

"In consequence of the foregoing we must raise further capital, and we propose to make an issue of fresh capital to the extent of \$500,000 in Cumulative Preferred shares, bearing interest at seven per cent. (7%). We do not propose to offer these shares to shareholders generally because circumstances have shown that at the present time the offer would not be accepted to any extent worth considering, while the circulation of it would waste a great deal of time. We have therefore approached the largest shareholder who is disposed to take up the shares, and we think the interests of the Company will be best served by allotting them to him."

The two "ordinary" resolutions were then put separately, as follows:

1. That the capital of the Company be increased by the creation of 50,000 new shares of \$10.00 each to be called Preference Shares to which there shall be attached the special rights and privileges following that it is as follows:

(a) The said Preference Shares shall carry the right to a fixed cumulative preferential dividend from the date of allotment at the rate of 7% per annum on the capital for the time being paid up on such shares.

(b) The capital paid up on the preference shares shall not be liable to cancellation or reduction in respect of loss or depreciation.

(c) In the event of the winding up of the company the holders of the preference shares shall be entitled to have the surplus assets applied in this first place in repaying to them the amount paid up on the preference shares held by them respectively and any arrears of dividend up to the commencement of the winding up whether declared or not, but shall not be entitled to any further participation in such surplus assets.

2. That the said 50,000 preference shares shall be allotted at such time or times and in such manner and for such purposes in

"ROSE" WEDDING.

TO-DAY'S ST. ANDREW'S CEREMONY.

SPORTSMAN MARRIED.

Mr. Arthur James Kew, who is a well-known cricketer and lawn tennis player, was married this afternoon to Miss Beatrice Rose Ablong, the ceremony being performed by the Rev. G. R. Lindsay, M.A., at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon.

Mr. Kew is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. W. Kew of Hongkong. The bride's parents are the late Mr. and Mrs. J. Ablong.

Roses were included in the bouquets carried by the bride and her retinue. The bride had chrysanthemums and white roses and she was attired in a dress of champagne with shadow lace.

Miss Violet Kew, the bridesmaid, was dressed in mauve taffeta with a mauve hat. Miss Patsy Ablong and Miss Nora Kew were the flower-girls; they were dressed in blue and pink taffeta, with taffeta poke bonnets. The retinue's flowers consisted of pink roses and baskets of sweet peas.

Mr. A. E. Ablong, gave his sister away. Mrs. A. E. Ablong, the matron of honour, was in a dress of fawn morocain trimmed with beads.

Mr. W. Gibbons acted as best man. The groomsmen were Mr. E. and Mr. C. Kew.

After the wedding a reception was held at No. 333, Nathan Road. The bride's gift to the groom was a gold watch. The groom's present to the bride was a diamond bracelet.

The honeymoon is being spent at Shanghai, the happy couple leaving by the "Empress of Canada." The bride's travelling dress is of grey crepe de chine with oriental trimming.

LOCAL MOTHERS.

ACTIVITIES OF UNION BRANCH.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE MEETING.

The activities of the local movement as part of the parent body known as the Mothers' Union were outlined at a meeting at Government House on Tuesday.

Meetings in connection with it are held at the Helena May Institute on alternative Tuesday afternoons and for the purpose of re-awakening interest in the discussions and general activities of the branch the meeting was held at Government House at the invitation of Lady Cecil Clementi.

Mrs. M. J. Noll, the Honorary local secretary, 165, the Peak, spoke on the activities of the branch here, also Mrs. Duppy, Diocesan President, Mrs. Warren and the Bishop of Victoria and Lady Clementi added a few words as Diocesan Patron, Rev. G. R. Lindsay spoke of the growth of the Kowloon branch.

Mrs. Collett sang solos in the course of the afternoon.

Two young women were talking in a street car.

"My sister and me," said one, "we ain't no more alike than if we wasn't us. Yes, she's just as different as I be, only the other way." "Methodist Protestant,"

every respect as the Company's General Managers with the sanction of the Committee may decide.

Mr. Raymond seconded No. 1 and Mr. Scott Harston No. 2. Both were carried unanimously and the meeting terminated.

BANDIT ATTACK.

AMERICAN MISSIONARY IN FUKIEN.

SERVANT SERIOUSLY WOUNDED.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Amoy, Jan. 17.

Word has just been received that the Rev. Henry A. Poppen, an American missionary of the Reformed Church in America, with his family was attacked by bandits while en route from Amoy to his station, Lungyenchow, in the interior of South Fukien.

The bandits shot one of Mr. Poppen's servants, inflicting a serious wound, and then took charge of all baggage.

Almost everything of value was taken including clothes, money, and jewellery. After the baggage had been completely ransacked, the bandits were satisfied and the missionaries were allowed to proceed to their destination.

Mr. Poppen, with his wife and two children, had just returned to China from furlough. As their station is rather difficult to reach, supplies for some months to come were being carried along to Lungyenchow. Most of these were taken along with other things.

EXPENSIVE "FIND."

MARINE AGENT AND OLD SHIP.

ARMS IN HOUSE.

A "find" of arms on a vessel which he as marine dealer had bought to break up led to the appearance at the Central Magistracy this morning of the master of the Sang Loong firm.

The weapons were found in his house as a result of information given to the police.

Mr. Leo d'Almada's defence for the man was that the weapons had been placed out of the children's way and there never had been intention to use them. They had lain there since 1923 when the ship was bought.

The Police evidence was that the arms were not much good. A fine of \$50 was imposed.

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(Reuter's Service.)

London, Jan. 20.

Applications are invited for the purchase of £700,000 five per cent. cumulative preference stock in the British India Steam Navigation Company at 91 per cent.

It is understood that the stock hitherto has been held privately and does not represent fresh capital.

WANT BACK!

GERMAN FIRM'S ENQUIRY IN AUSTRALIA.

TEXTILE FACTORIES DESIRED.

(Reuter's Service.)

Melbourne, Jan. 20.

A German firm recently enquired regarding the establishment of textile factories in Australia.

[The Commonwealth of Australia has just raised the ban on the admission of Germans and Austrians.]

THE NEXT ADVANCE.

MUST BE LOOKED FOR FROM CANTON.

BOYCOTT NEGOTIATIONS.

The Hon. Colonial Secretary has released the following for publication:

His Excellency the Governor soon after his arrival, following a gesture of friendship in a speech at the University, took advantage of the presence in the Colony of a merchant delegation from Canton to announce that the Government would be willing to appoint a strong deputation of influential merchants to visit Canton to initiate discussions with a view to a settlement, provided that the Canton Government would appoint delegates of equal standing and responsibility to meet them. The proposal was conveyed to the Canton Government, and was met with the reply that:

(a) the strikers would elect three members of their Committee to be delegates, with full powers to negotiate, one of them almost certainly being the Chairman of the Strike Committee.

(b) the merchants would also elect one prominent merchant to be a member of the delegation: this would probably be the Chairman of the Canton General Chamber of Commerce.

(c) other members of the Strike Committee, probably six, and perhaps one or two additional merchants, would be present at the negotiations to watch the proceedings; and

(d) that a minor Cantonese official could be attached to the delegation as Secretary.

Other Lines.

This reply failed to respond to the spirit in which the suggestion of the Hongkong Government had been made, and it was felt that no useful purpose would be served by a conference between a delegation not appointed by the Canton Government, and the gentlemen whom the Canton Government had nominated. Efforts were therefore made by Hongkong to open negotiations upon other lines.

2. These efforts took the form of a suggestion that Hongkong officials of high standing should be added to the Colony's delegation, and that the Canton Government should take similar action on their part; both delegations to be armed with full powers from their respective Governments for the settlement of all outstanding questions. The Canton Government, however, took the attitude that it could only appoint representatives to act as mediators, and the position that the Hongkong Government should appoint a delegation including officials as plenipotentiary delegates, appearing as principals vis-a-vis the Canton delegation described above, whereas Canton would only appoint officers "to mediate," was one that could not be accepted.

3. An interchange of visits between important officials of Hongkong and Canton then took place, and discussions were held on the lines of separating the "political" and so-called "economic" questions at issue. It was considered that negotiation on the "economic" side could best be conducted by Chinese business men, and on the understanding so reached, the Hongkong Government acquiesced in the suggestion for a visit to Canton by a delegation of eight prominent Chinese appointed by the Chinese Community. It was understood that this delegation would deal directly with the Strike Committee, and would negotiate with them the "economic" questions, namely, strike pay and compensation for loss of employment, leaving all "political" questions for later consideration between the two Governments; the Strike and the Boycott to cease on the settlement of the "economic" questions.

On reaching Canton, however, on December 30, the delegation of eight found that no assistance could be looked for from the Canton Government towards meeting the Strike Committee and discussing the "economic" terms with them, unless they were also prepared to discuss and settle with the Strike Committee at the same time "political" terms. For this the delegation clearly could have no authority; its members thoroughly explored every possible avenue for negotiation, and left no doubt of their sincerity, but the visit proved entirely fruitless, and they returned to the Colony on January 2.

The Hongkong Government is prepared at any time to resume negotiations, but in the circumstances detailed cannot see that any useful purpose will be served by any further delegation to Canton at the present time, and it now remains for the Canton Government on its side to give evidence of sincerity by making the next advance.

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The Japanese Consul-General.

Mr. Y. Murakami, gave a tiffin party at the Hongkong Hotel yesterday. The gathering was quite informal, and was held in Mr. Murakami's words, "to strengthen old friendships and to make new ones."

Among those present were the Colonial Secretary, Mr. E. R. Hallifax, the Colonial Treasurer, Mr. C. Mel. Messer, the Director of Public Works, Mr. H. T. Cressy, the Captain Superintendent of Police, Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, Mr. D. W. Trautman, the Director of Education, Mr. A. E. Wood, Lieut.-Commander G. F. Hole, Mr. R. Posenby Fane, Mr. J. Abe, Mr. O. T. Breakpear, Mr. A. Hicks, Mr. S. Kinoshita, Mr. B. Wylie, Mr. Y. Tsutsumi, Mr. C. M. McDonald, Mr. S. Okubo, Mr. W. Jackson, and Mr. T. Yamazaki.

At the conclusion of tiffin Mr. Murakami, after expressing the pleasure it gave him to entertain his guests, referred to the friendship that had existed for so long between Great Britain and Japan and trusted that it might always continue. Mr. E. R. Hallifax and Mr. Posenby Fane returned thanks on behalf of the visitors for the hospitality accorded them and reciprocated the good wishes of the host.

"Father," said Billy, "may I ask you just one more question before I go to bed?"

"Well," said father, who was tired of questions, "you may ask me just this one and no more. You understand?"

"Well, father," said Billy, "if I'd been your brother should I have been my own uncle?"

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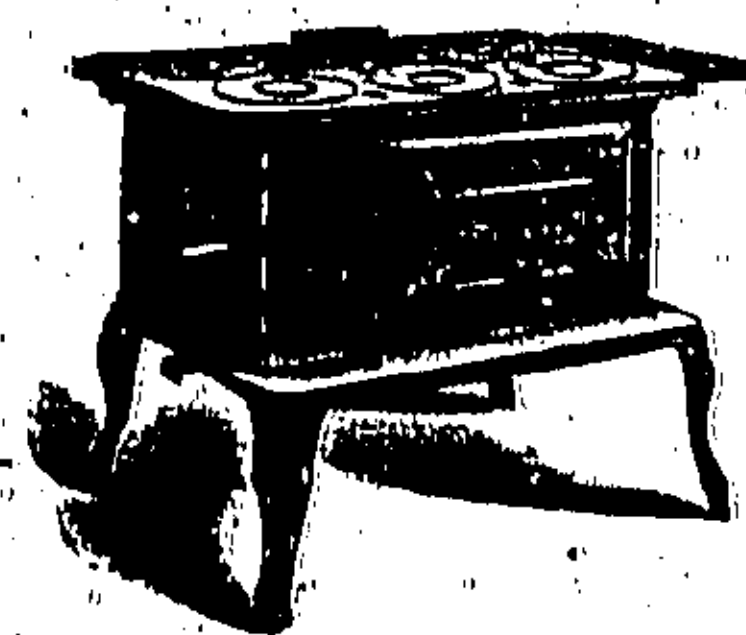
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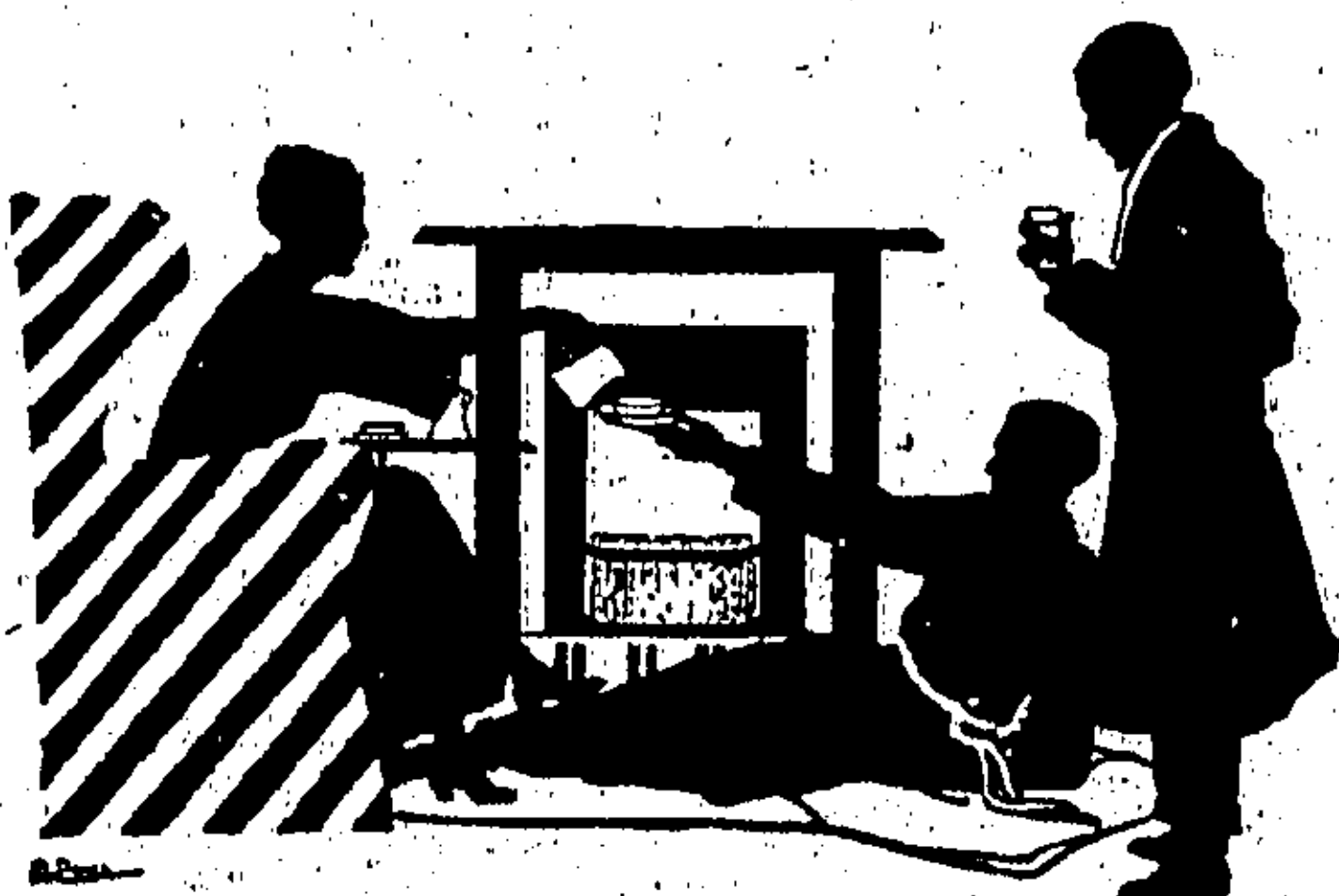
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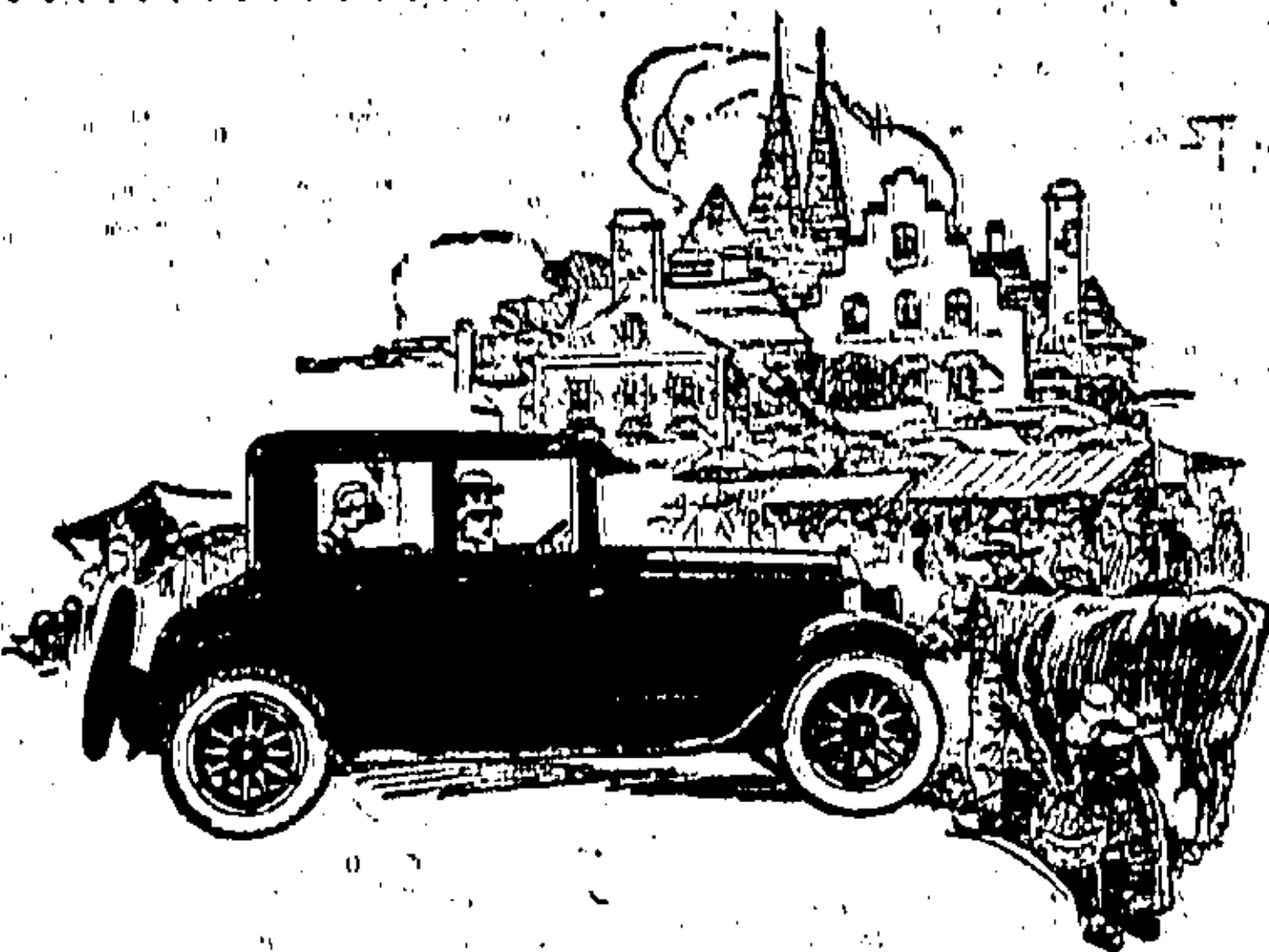


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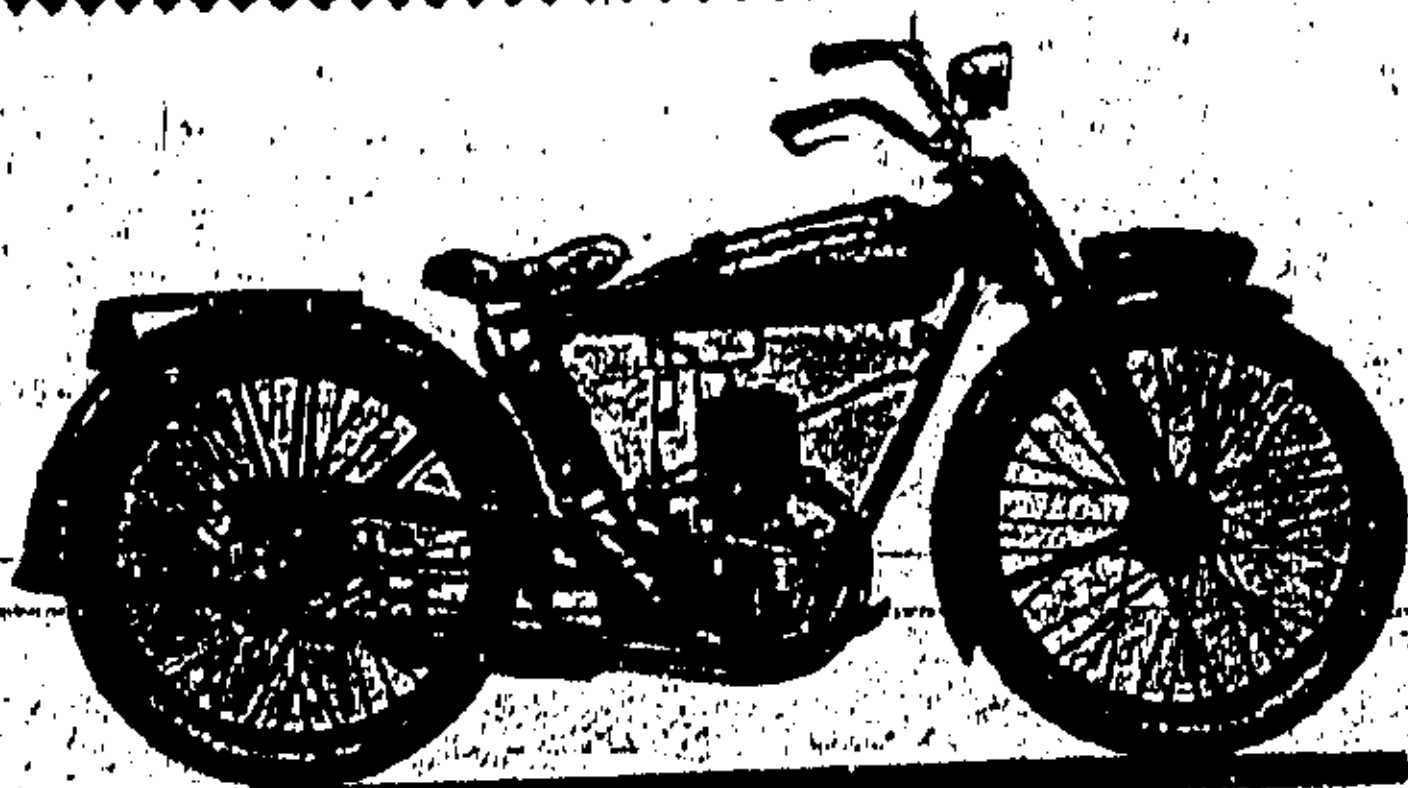
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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The P. & O. s.s. "Karmala," which left Singapore at 6 p.m. on the 18th instant, is due here at 6 p.m. on the 23rd.

The return of notifiable diseases for the 24 hours ended Tuesday, shows one Chinese case of cerebro-spinal fever.

A very successful social evening in connection with the Church of England Men's Society was held in the Cathedral Hall on Tuesday evening.

Members of the Hongkong Polo Club are requested to note that in future the Regular Days for Play will be Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays.

At his public examination in bankruptcy Mr. George William Alfred King, trading as Mr. Jack King, coal merchant, of Handsworth, Birmingham, claimed to have won an amateur racing cyclist prizes of the value of £20,936.

A Bill is to be introduced into the Singapore Legislative Council having as its object the safeguarding of the life and well-being of every peaceful and law-abiding person in the Colony on occasions of a deliberate and organised attack is made against the social life of the community. The Bill empowers the Governor in Council, whenever he is of opinion that the peace, order and good government of the Colony are at stake, to make regulations to suppress internal disorder and provide for the carrying on of trades and services essential for human existence.

Oxford is to form an organization to fulfil the conditions of the Carnegie Trusts grant to the Oxford Players and set up a permanent centre for dramatic and musical art.

The head-mistress of a large elementary school in Blackburn reports that scholars who spent their infancy during the war are two inches shorter than the average child, due to the poorer quality of food and mental strain.

For the first time in the history of building societies the membership has passed the million mark according to the statistical summary of the Chief Registrar of Friendly Societies. The actual total is 1,000,988.

At the exhibition of books bound by ex-Servicemen, opened at the British Red Cross Society headquarters, 19, Berkeley-street, W., was shown a copy of the Apocrypha, hand bound, elaborately embossed, and inlaid with gold, and priced at 50 guineas.

There were 296,416 marriages in England and Wales last year—4,008 more than in 1925—states the civil section of the Registrar-General's yearly review. Last year's figure corresponds to a rate of 15.3 persons married per 1,000 of the population. The greatest number of marriages—89,841—was registered in the third quarter of the year. The number of decrees nisi made absolute was 2,286, compared with 2,667 in 1925. On June 30, 1924, the estimated population was 38,748,000, as against 38,403,000 in 1923—an increase of 345,000.

The record number of 420 pedigree export certificates for pigs have been granted this year, including the Soviet Government's purchase of 200 Large Whites for distribution in Russia.

The Brisbane City Council has decided on the appointment of an expert rat catcher to take charge of the rat-killing gangs, at a salary of £800 a year. The appointment is to be for one year.

As a tribute to the fact that British bicycles are considered as superior to the product of any other country, Messrs. Rudge-Whitworth, Ltd., of Coventry, have received an order for a machine for the use of his Majesty Otto II. of Hungary.

Mr. Robert M. Ford, who recently defied the Postmaster-General, and was fined £10 and 10 guineas costs for having a wireless set without a licence, was arrested for the non-payment of the fine, and was taken to Marlborough-street Police Station. After being locked up for half an hour Mr. Ford paid the fine, and was liberated.

With the close of the flat-racing season, it is possible to state that Lord Astor has headed the list of winning owners. Thanks, chiefly to Saucy Sue (the filly which brought him £2,155), Lord Astor won £35,723. Mr. S. B. Joel, however, was only £222 behind this total, while the Aga Khan was third with £32,974. The King, although doing a little better than last year, has had a lean season, seven of his horses having won nine races, making £5,873.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The finals of the K.O.Y.L.I. cup in connection with the Hongkong Polo Club will be played on Saturday, January 30.

The daughter of Signor Mussolini has been awarded a silver medal for valour displayed in rescuing a man from drowning.

Miss Elizabeth Harrington, impresario for Mr. Edward Johnson on his recent concert tour of the Far East, is a passenger in the Dollar Line steamer "President Taft" which sailed from Yokohama for San Francisco. Since leaving Tokyo several months ago, Miss Harrington has been seriously ill in Peking. She has just now recovered, her health sufficiently to be able to travel, but she may leave the steamer at Honolulu for a short period of rest before continuing her journey to the mainland.

Mr. George Benjamin Dodwell, of Canton, Langley-road, Watford, chairman of Dodwell and Co., Limited, general merchants, P.C., who died on October 9, 1925, aged 73, left estate of the gross value of £77,860, with net personalty £70,951. He left £500 to the London Orphan School, Watford; his shares in the Watford Association Football Company to the directors for the benefit of the club; his shares in the Herts Bowling Club to the directors for the benefit of the members; £500 to his secretary, Henry George Howard; £100 each to Katharine Martin, maid and Hugh White, chauffeur, if still in his employ.

Captain A. H. Bathurst, from reserve, has gone master, "Kansu."

Mr. R. E. Evans, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Kansu."

Mr. J. W. Jenkins, chief officer, "Chenan," has gone supy chief officer, "Chungking."

Mr. I. Newton, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Chenan."

Mr. W. B. Paul, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Ying-chow."

Mr. W. J. King, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Sinkang."

Mr. D. J. Nicholas, chief officer, "Nanchang," is on leave.

Captain A. Dockwrey, from reserve, has gone master, "Wai-shing."

Mr. A. J. N. Wood, chief officer, "Kungwo," has gone acting master, "Yateling."

Captain J. S. Masson, of the "Yateling," is on leave.

Mr. T. Fairbairn, second officer, "Kungwo," has gone acting chief officer, same ship.

Mr. H. O. Lewis, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Kungwo."

Mr. J. B. Evans, from leave, has gone second officer, "Pingwo."

Former Judge Paul Linebarger, long associated with Dr. Sun Yat-sen, and author of his biography, "Sun Yat Sun and the China Republic," sailed for Shanghai on the s.s. "D'Artagnan" on January 20, after having visited in Canton.

The American Shanghai players will present "With-in the Law," a drama sure to meet the approval of the Shanghai public, on January 28 and 30 at the Carlton Theatre. Rehearsals have been in progress for some time and the cast, which will be published later, includes many of the company's most popular performers.

Mrs. M. L. Gordon, the first American missionary to Japan now living, has arrived in Kobe, following a visit in the United States. It was more than 50 years ago that Mrs. Gordon first came to Japan as a foreign missionary, the date of her first arrival in Nippon being the month of September in 1872. Since then her mission work in Japan has been varied, but for the past 30 years she has been identified with the work of the Airin Kindergarten in Kyoto. Mrs. Gordon has two daughters in Japan, Mrs. Samuel C. Bartlett, wife of the Chaplain of Doshisha University in Kyoto, and Mrs. C. S. Reidsnyder, wife of Bishop Reidsnyder of Tokyo. She will make her home for the present with Mrs. Bartlett in Kyoto.

At the annual general meeting of the Tokyo and Yokohama Branch of the British Association of Japan at the offices of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, Yokohama, it was brought out that the organisation's most important achievement of the past year has been the amalgamating of the Tokyo British League with the British Association, thus forming a separate Tokyo Branch of the Association. Because there had been much overlapping of the functions of these two bodies in the past, since the British Association claimed many members in Tokyo who belonged to the British League as well, the change was made to obviate such overlapping and also to unify the representation of the British Community. After the meeting had voted for the acceptance of the Revised rules and regulations and on the formation of the separate Yokohama Branch, and these two measures had been approved, new officers and committee members were elected with the result that Mr. H. W. Kent, of Butterfield and Swire, is again chairman. The other results of the elections are as follows:—Vice-Chairman, Mr. C. H. Owen; Honorary Treasurer, Mr. M. B. Mathew; Honorary Secretary, Mr. F. T. Jackson, and committee members, Mr. C. Howitt, Mr. M. Fitzgerald, Mr. H. K. Stubbins, Mr. O. Strime and Mr. W. Blundell.

Mr. Homer Brightman joins the local office of the Dollar Steamship Line on transfer from Shanghai.

Mr. James Bell, of the British-American Tobacco Co., has left Shanghai for Pengpu, where he will be stationed for a time.

Dr. J. B. Addison, Principal Medical Officer, returned to the Colony yesterday from Singapore on the French mail steamer "D'Artagnan."

Mr. H. W. Lester of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., Shanghai, and Mrs. Lester arrived in the Colony yesterday by the "President Madison."

The wedding of Mr. Armin Kitchell (eldest son of Mr. O. Kitchell) to Miss Alice Yau takes place to-morrow, at 8.30 p.m., at "Dilkooah," No. 34 Leighton Hill Road.

A gold wrist watch was presented to former police Inspector E. W. Everson by his comrades in the Shanghai Municipal Police prior to his departure from Shanghai for his home in England.

The American Consulate-General at Shanghai is interested in securing information as to the whereabouts and welfare of Mrs. Rose Solomon, whose last known address was 2039, Miller Road, Shanghai. This inquiry was received from Mr. Zelig Sterling of 1412, South 5th Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, a brother of Mrs. Solomon.

The "Paying Off" dance of the Lower Deck ratings of the H.M.S. "Hawkins" and their friends, took place last night on the Flagship, and proved a very enjoyable affair. The Quarter Deck, where dancing took place, was tastefully decorated for the occasion, with bunting and coloured lights, and an excellent programme of dances was gone through, music for which was provided by H.M.S. "Hawkins" Orchestra.

The Robert Dollar Company lumber office in Kobe will be discontinued at the end of this month and Mr. T. W. Malmgren, Kobe manager, will be transferred to San Francisco in February. Mr. and Mrs. Malmgren and their children will leave Kobe on February 7 on the Dollar Line steamer "President Cleveland." Mr. Malmgren has been identified with the Robert Dollar Company in Kobe since 1915 and is well-known in the Kobe foreign community. The Robert Dollar Company has continued its commercial operations in Japan to lumber since 1921.

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"CHINA MAIL" SPORTS PAGE**HOME SOCCER.****SENIOR LEAGUE LEADERS' MATCH.****SCOTTISH F.A. CUP.**

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Jan. 20.

The following football matches were played to-day. (Home team given first).—

ENGLISH LEAGUE.**DIVISION I.**

Sunderland 1.	Middlesbrough 1.
Bradford City 3.	Swansea 1.
Div. III (South).	
Gillingham 3.	Southend 1.
Div. III (North).	
Accrington 0.	New Brighton 2.
Scottish F.A. Cup (Round 1).	
Dundee 2.	Inverness Caledonians 0.

The respective league tables to date follow:—

ENGLISH LEAGUE.**Division I.**

Team	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.A. Pts.
Sunderland	25	14	5	6	54
Arsenal	25	14	5	6	53
Huddersfield	24	11	9	4	50
Manchester	24	11	9	4	50
Bury	25	13	2	10	43
Tottenham	25	11	6	8	38
Sheffield U.	26	11	5	10	38
Aston Villa	24	10	7	7	35
Newcastle U.	25	10	7	8	35
Birmingham	27	11	5	11	35
W. Bromwich	25	10	6	9	35
Bolton W.	25	11	4	12	35
Everton	26	7	11	8	30
Liverpool	24	8	7	9	30
Leicester	25	8	6	11	28
Cardiff City	26	9	4	13	28
West Ham	25	9	3	13	28
Blackburn	25	8	11	5	28
Leeds U.	24	8	12	4	28
Manchester	26	8	12	5	28
Notts County	25	8	4	13	28
Burnley	26	7	6	13	25

Division II.

Team	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.A. Pts.
Derby C.	24	15	5	4	50
Wednesday	25	16	3	6	50
Chelsea	24	11	8	5	50
South Shields	23	13	3	9	46
Middlesbrough	26	14	0	12	46
Blackpool	25	11	5	9	46
Oldham	22	11	6	6	42
Portsmouth	25	10	6	9	36
Port Vale	25	12	1	12	36
Hull City	24	11	3	10	36
Swansea	23	10	4	9	34
Wolves	23	10	4	9	34
Bradford C.	24	9	6	9	33
Stoke	24	8	10	6	32
Barnsley	24	8	10	6	32
Preston N. E.	25	10	2	13	42
Darlington	24	7	10	7	36
Southampton	25	7	12	6	36
Notts Forest	24	7	11	6	36
Clapton	23	7	12	4	36
Fulham	24	5	14	5	25
Stockport	24	5	14	5	25

Division III.**Southern Section.**

Team	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.A. Pts.
Plymouth	23	14	6	3	58
Reading	24	12	8	4	52
Bristol C.	25	12	7	6	50
Brighton	23	12	5	6	43
Gillingham	25	12	4	9	43
Millwall	23	10	6	7	41
Norwich	23	11	4	8	41
Southend	24	12	1	11	40
Swindon	24	10	5	9	40
Watford	23	9	6	8	40
Merthyr	23	8	7	8	38
Norwich	25	8	11	5	42
Newport	23	8	9	29	22
Charlton	21	6	9	21	22
Bristol R.	24	8	12	41	30
Exeter	24	8	12	45	40
Luton	24	4	12	39	40
Brentford	24	9	2	13	35
Bournemouth	24	7	11	32	55
Aberdare	23	7	11	35	47
Crystal P.	23	8	13	30	45
Q. P. R.	23	4	6	13	21

Division III.**Northern Section.**

Team	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.A. Pts.
Bradford	25	16	4	5	52
Rochdale	23	11	5	7	43
Nelson	24	11	5	8	43
Grimsby	22	12	5	5	48
Halifax	22	11	5	6	43
Hartlepool	23	12	5	6	43
Chesterfield	22	12	4	6	45
Coventry	24	12	4	8	43
Durham	23	12	1	11	41
Doncaster	23	8	0	6	41
Ashington	25	8	9	8	35
Crew	23	10	4	9	38
Accrington	24	11	2	11	45
N. Brighton	24	0	4	11	31
Wrexham	24	6	9	9	37
Tranmere	24	0	9	13	38
Lincoln	24	2	11	10	48
Wigan	23	7	11	40	42
Rotherham	23	7	4	12	38
Southport	22	4	8	10	31
Walsall	24	4	16	30	67
Barrow	25	4	2	19	33

HOCKEY MATCH.**CLUB 1ST ELEVEN BEAT "HAWKINS."****AN EVEN FIRST HALF.**

At the U.S.R.C. yesterday the Hongkong Hockey Club 1st XI defeated H.M.S. "Hawkins" by six goals to three.

The first half provided an even game with each side scoring three goals. The Club got the lead each time to be followed by the equaliser. The scorers were Lammer, Wilson, Jacob-Larcomb, Nicholson, Owen Hughes, Halsey. The goal scored by Wilson, the right wing, was a pretty one from a difficult angle. He had had luck with a similar shot which struck the upright and rebounded back to the field. In the second half Owen Hughes and Woodward shared the credit when they both had a whack at a ball which kept running between them and the goalkeeper. Lammer, playing a good game at centre forward, broke through and scored two more goals for his side.

The teams were:—
Club:—E. W. Hamilton, C. L. R. Becker, A. A. Dand, A. S. Hett, E. J. R. Mitchell (capt.), Rev. E. W. E. Martin, H. Owen Hughes, W. Woodward, G. F. Lammer, H. E. H. Jacob-Larcomb, G. R. Vignack.
"Hawkins":—Surge-Lt. Brown, Mid. Shaw, Com. Gray, Lt. Com. Eyle, Lt. Wauchop, Mid. Freer, Sub-Lt. Wilson, Lt. Nicholson, Mid. Stephenson, Lt. Halsey, Lt. Com. Bever.**A LOB BOWLER.****FORMER SURREY SKIPPER PASSES AWAY.**

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Jan. 20.
The death is announced of Mr. D. L. A. Jephson, the former Surrey cricket captain who was one of the greatest of lob bowlers. [Note: Mr. Jephson was born on February 23, 1871. Going up from Manor House, Clapham, he obtained his Blue at Cambridge in 1890-92.]**LAWN BOWLS.****BRITISH TOUR IN NEW ZEALAND.**

(via Colombo.)

New Plymouth (N.Z.), Jan. 4.
Tararaki defeated the British team of lawn bowlers by 170 points to 142.**CONSULAR WARNING****CHINESE EASTERN RAILWAY DISPUTE.****A MENACING CROWD.**

(Reuter's Service.)

Peking, January 20.
Later telegrams from Harbin and Changchun show that the Sino-Soviet dispute in connection with the Chinese Eastern Railway has reached a complete deadlock.

The Chinese issued orders for the resumption of traffic yesterday, and attempted to coerce the station-master at Changchun into carrying out instructions. The latter, however, on receiving a counter-order from M. Ivanoff, refused to budge.

It is reported from Harbin that the Chinese have now interlocked the signalling system and the despatch of the Trans-Siberian express was prevented by the menacing attitude of the Chinese crowd.

A Rumour Discounted.

Tokyo, January 20.

The Foreign Office spokesman says that the Japanese Government is watching the Sino-Russian friction in regard to the Changchun-Harbin line closely; but it does not anticipate danger arising, though the trouble probably will be long drawn out. Consular advice discount the rumour of Soviet mobilisation, as White Russian propaganda.

SOCCER APPEAL.**SUSPENSION OF CHINESE ANNULLED.****F.A. COUNCIL'S FINDING.**The following has been handed to the "China Mail" for publication and is self-explanatory:—
H.K. Football League v. South China A.A. Appeal Case No. 2.
The findings of the Council of the Hongkong Football Association are:—

1. That on appeal the Council of this Association are of the opinion that a misunderstanding arose with regard to the League fixture South China A.A. v. Police.
 2. The Council acting on legal advice and that the Football League have no power to suspend under their rules.
 3. Under these circumstances the Council have decided that the appeal must stand. The conviction on all counts is therefore annulled.
- (Sd.) W. E. HOLLANDS.
Hon. Secretary.

BOXING.**CIVILIAN'S ALL-ROUND CHALLENGE.****FULL DETAILS WANTED.**

To the Editor of the China Mail.

Sir.—In connection with recent news regarding boxing, I am prepared to enter into an agreement to box, with every hope of defeating the best man in Hongkong, of my weight. I should merely require five weeks' training, or possibly less.

Yours, etc.,

J. RIVINGTON-STUART.

Hongkong, January 20.
On reference to the Boxing Association the "China Mail" is informed that a challenge of this nature should be supported by credentials, etc. Details as to required and other particulars are required before anything can be done.**RUGBY CUP-TIE.****SECOND MATCH THIS SATURDAY.**

The following have been selected to represent the Hongkong Football Club (rugby section) in their second cup final game with the Royal Navy XV. on the Club ground, on Saturday. "Kick-off" 1 p.m.:—Armstrong, Eastbrook, Stewart, Lloyd, Lammer, Morrison, Ralph, Forsyth, Ralston, Foster, M. Smith, L. Smith, Lee, Beveridge, Millar.

IDLE LIST.**MORE REASSURING REPORT FROM HOME.****EARLIER FIGURES DISCOUNTED.**

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, Jan. 21.
There was a big rise of nearly 150,000 in the figures of unemployment between December 21 and January 4, but the return dated January 11 shows a decline of 30,300.
The total figure of 1,221,400 is 58,450 less than a year ago.**ON THE RHINE.****STRENGTH OF THE ALLIED FORCES.****FRENCH REPLY TO GERMANY.**

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, Jan. 20.
According to "Le Journal" M. Briand has replied to the representations of the German Ambassador, Herr von Hoersch, in regard to the strength of the Allied forces in the Rhineland.

He stated that at present there could be no question of reducing the strength of the French forces in the Rhineland. He pointed out that since December 1 the French troops had been reduced by about 20,000 men, whilst the Belgians and British had reduced their forces by only one regiment and one battalion, respectively.

CARDINAL MERCIER.Brussels, Jan. 8.
Cardinal Mercier is seriously ill and has received the last sacrament.**NEW ERA.****RURAL PROSPERITY IN INDIA.****ROYAL COMMISSION APPROVED.**

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, Jan. 21.

His Majesty the King has approved the constitution of a Royal Commission generally to examine and report on the present condition of agricultural and rural economy in British India and to make recommendations for improvement of agriculture and for the promotion of the welfare and prosperity of the rural population.

The Commission is particularly to investigate:—
Firstly:—The measures now being taken for the promotion of agricultural and veterinary research, experimental demonstration, and education, for the compilation of agricultural statistics, and for the introduction of new or better crops and minor improvements in agricultural practice, dairy farming and stock breeding.

Secondly:—Existing methods of transport and marketing of agricultural produce and stock.

Thirdly:—Methods by which agricultural operations are financed and credit afforded to agriculturists.

Fourthly:—Main factors concerning the rural prosperity and welfare of the agricultural population. It will not be within the scope of the Commission's duties to make recommendations regarding the existing system of land ownership and irrigation changes or the existing division of funds between the Government of India and local Governments.

The Commission, however, will be at liberty to suggest means whereby the activities of the Governments in India may be co-ordinated, and to indicate the directions in which the Government of India may usefully supplement the activities of the local Governments.

The personnel of the Royal Commission will be announced later.

LORD READING ON INDIA'S FUTURE.**BRITAIN'S SYMPATHIES.**

(Reuter's Service.)

Delhi, Jan. 20.

The Legislative Assembly was opened in state for the last time by the retiring Viceroy, Lord Reading, in bright sunshine, the streets being lined by troops.

The Chamber was crowded, and presented a brilliant spectacle. The Viceroy sat in a golden chair set on a crimson carpet, and all the officials wore uniform. Large crowds cheered Lord Reading's arrival and departure.

SOUTH AFRICAN PROBLEM.

The Viceroy, in a speech, announced that the King had approved of the appointment of a Royal Commission on Agriculture in India. He said that he and his Government fully sympathised with Indian feeling in regard to anti-Indian legislation in South Africa. The Indian deputation to South Africa had already obtained valuable information, and the Government of India still hoped to persuade the Union Government that there was the strongest ground for a conference on the whole question, which was now at a stage of negotiation. He hoped that a cause which appeared to have justice and equity on its side would prevail and a basis of discussion with the Union Government be reached.

BIRKENHEAD'S MESSAGE.

The Viceroy greatly regretted that Indian political leaders had not made a better response to Lord Birkenhead's message of sympathetic encouragement, and said that Britain's heart would have been won by immediate acceptance of the advances made.

CHANGE OF TONE.

Though there had been some change of tone and temper of the politicians toward the Government, he wished that it had been more unmistakable, and trusted that at the ensuing session there would be a clear manifestation of attitude as generous and well-intentioned as that which had prompted the appeal, and a new era would dawn of a more sympathetic understanding, a more widespread trust, and more universal goodwill.

MUKDEN WAR.**GENERAL WEI REACHES LUANCHOW.**

(Reuter's Service.)

Peking, Jan. 20.
General Wei Yü-shan, with his troops, has reached Luanhow. He is expected to make a stand at the place, with the support of the First Kuomintang (People's Army).**BAD BLUNDER.****LYOYD GEORGE AND LABOUR GOVERNMENT.****LIBERALISM TO STAND ALONE.**

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, Jan. 21.

Addressing a Liberal meeting at Carmarven this evening Mr. D. Lloyd George stated his attitude toward the Labour Party, which has been the subject recently of much speculation and gossip.

He began by declaring that the experiment of 1924 when the Labour Government was put into power without conditions, without an understanding, without stipulating for consultation, was a bad political blunder on the part of the Liberal Party. As one who had acquiesced in that action he took his full share of blame. So far as he was concerned such an episode should not occur again.

Continuing Mr. Lloyd George said that no political prophet could predict that the Labour Party would acquire an absolute majority for many elections to come. Experience had proved that there was a rapid limit to the growth of Socialism beyond which it could not spread. What was the duty of the Liberal Party in face of that contingency? On full reflection and deliberation it was his judgment that it would not be wise for Liberalism at this moment to negotiate an alliance with any Party.

Prudence dictated a powerful position for itself with a view to securing a large representation in the next Parliament. The duty of Liberalism was to go on with its support for liberal principles and liberal ideas. They had three or four years until the next General Election in which to reach and teach the nation. He predicted that Liberalism at next election would count more than at any time since 1910.

Mr. Lloyd George concluded: "Let us rally to our standard the millions of men and women for whom Liberalism supplies the best answer to the questions that perplex them regarding the social and economic problems of the nation. This last will be our immediate task."

In calling a summary of Mr. Lloyd George's speech, Reuter quotes him as saying: "They should concentrate their energies on securing a large Liberal representation in the next Parliament. When that was achieved was the time to consider the co-operation of men who were prepared to support the programme it approved whether that involved a Coalition Government or not."

DEFICIT REDUCED.**BETTER BRITISH TREASURY RETURN.****END OF YEAR EXPECTATIONS.**

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, Jan. 21.

The latest Treasury return of national revenue and expenditure shows a considerable reduction in the amount of the deficit which on January 1 was nearly £124,000,000. Last Saturday it had dropped to £115,000,000.

A further reduction each week until the closing week of the financial year, which ends on March 31, may be expected as revenue is always in excess of expenditure in the last quarter. It is hoped that little of the deficit will remain on March 31.

NATION OF AIRMEN.**SIR SEPTON BRANCKER'S VISION.****IMPORTANCE TO COMMERCE.**

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, Jan. 21.

Aviation can do a great deal more for the country commercially than from the war point of view, said Vice-Marshal Sir Septon Brancker, Director of Civil Aviation, to-day, in connection with the opening of the Yorkshire Aeroplane Club. We had to become a "nation of airmen," he added. He visualised thousands of British aeroplanes all over the Empire carrying British passengers, mails, and goods.

ITALIAN MISSION.**SHOWN OVER "VICTORY" AND "REPULSE."**

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, Jan. 21.
Count Volpi and the other members of the Italian Debt Mission arrived at Portsmouth Dockyard to-day. They were shown over the battle cruiser "Repulse" and Nelson's old flagship "Victory."**LOCAL SHARE MARKET.****OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.**

HONGKONG, JANUARY 21, 1926, 10.30 A.M.

Names.	Hongkong Stock Exchange.	Hongkong Sharebrokers Association.	Share & Real Estate Brokers Society.
T.T. on London	2/4 1/2	2/4 1/2	2/4 1/2
T.T. on Shanghai	78 1/2	78 1/2	nom.
Banks.			
Hongkong Bank	1060 b. 1060/	\$1065 s.	\$1060 s.
do. London.	£127 n. 165 sa		£128 n.
Chartered Bank	£213 1/2 n.	£21 n.	—
Mercantile Bank, A. & B.	£20 1/2 n.	£20 1/2 n.	—
do. C.	£13 1/2 n.	£13 n.	—
P. & O. Bank	£9 1/2 n.	£9 1/2 n.	—
Bank of East Asia	\$85 n.	\$80 n.	\$80 n.
Marine Insurances.			
Canton Insurance	590 b.	600 n.	\$ 600 n.
China Underwriters	2 1/4 n.	2 3/4 n.	2 —
North China Insurance.	T 145 n.	T 140 n.	—
Union Insurance	253 b. 254 sa.	254 b.	\$254 b.
Yangtze Insurance	35 b.	36 b.	—
Fire Insurances.			
China Fire Insurance.	165 b.	165 b.	—
H.K. Fire Insurance	600 s.	600 s.	590 n.
Shipping.			
Douglases	33 s.	32 s.	35 s.
Hongkong Steamboats	24 s.	24 s.	23 1/2 s.
H.K. Tugs & Lighters	4 1/2 n.	4 1/2 n.	4 —
Indo-China (Pref.)	38 n.	30 n.	37 n.
do. (Def.) L/d.	45 —	—	65 s.
do. () Hk.	—	45 n.	—
Oriental Navigation	250 b.	250 n.	—
Shell Transports	97 1/8 n.	97 1/8 b.	97 1/8 b.
Star Ferries	\$63 s.	56 s.	\$57 s.
Water-boats	16 b.	16 s.	16 n.
Refineries.			
China Sugars	31 s.	30 s.	25 1/2 sa.
Malabon Sugars	48 n.	35 s.	50 n.
Mining.			
Benguet	1 00 n.	—	—
Kailan Mining Ad.	44/-	45/-	47 1/6 n.
Lungkats (Combined)	T 32	T 32	T 33 s.
do. (Single)	20 n.	20 s.	—
Shanghai Exploration	5 45 n.	5 1/2 n.	—
Shanghai Loan	8 n.	8 n.	—
Raube	\$5 00 s.	\$5 1/2 s.	6 —
Tromoh Mines	55/-	55/-	—
Tral Caspians	8/-	—	—
Docks, Wharves Godowns, &c.			
H.K. & K. Wharves	\$127 sa.	125 s.	\$126 s.
H.K. & W. Docks	57 1/2 b.	57 1/2 b.	57 s.
Hongkows	T 165 n.	T 165	T 165 b.
New Engineerings	7 b.	T 7 b.	7 b.
Shanghai Docks	114 s.	112 s.	112 b.
Lands, Hotels & Bldgs.			
H.K. & S. Hotels (old)	\$7 1/4 b.	8 —	8 s.
do. (new)	—	—	—
Hongkong Lands	64 s.	63 s.	63 s.
H.K. Realty	5 b.	5 1/4 n.	5 1/4 n.
H.K. Territorials	6 b.	6 1/4 b.	6 n.
Humphreys-Estates	13 1/4 n.	13 1/4 s.	14 s.
Princes Building	150 n.	120 s.	—
Rural Lands	7 s.	—	—
Cotton Mills.			
Ewo Cottons	T 10 s.	T 9 1/2 b.	T 10 s.
Oriental	3 n.	3 b.	3 1/2 s.
Shanghai Cottons (old).	58 s.	62 s.	60 s.
do. (new)	28 s.	34 s.	33 s.
Miscellaneous.			
Canton Ices	\$7 1/4 n.	\$7 s.	\$ 7 s.
Cements (comb.)	15 1/2 n.	15 s.	15 s.
do. (old)	12 1/2 n.	12 n.	12 s.
do. (new)	3 n.	3 s.	3 s.
China Buses	T 10 1/2 b.	—	—
China Lights (comb.)	T 7 1/2 s.	17 n.	16 s.
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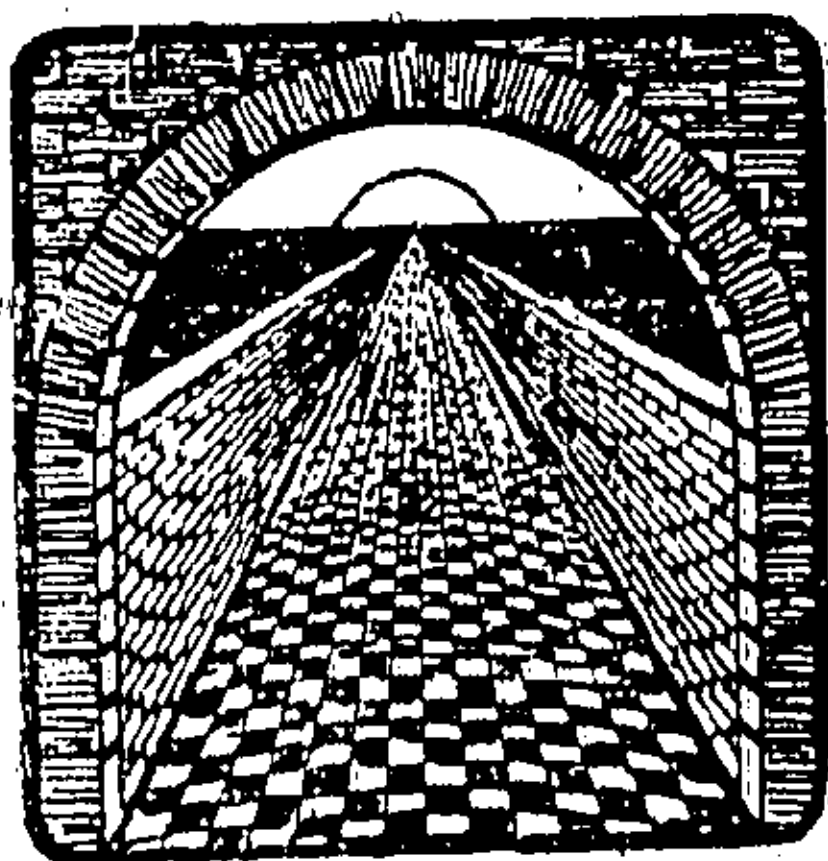
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People and Events in the News of the World



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ANAGARIKA DHARMAPALA

Anagarika Dharmapala is now in New York lecturing on Buddhism. He comes of a wealthy Ceylon family.



ONE MAN BAND

In Taormina, Sicily, this one-man band is a familiar sight. His head, feet and hands are used in playing the different instruments as he bangs out a tune.



JOSE SANJURJO SACL

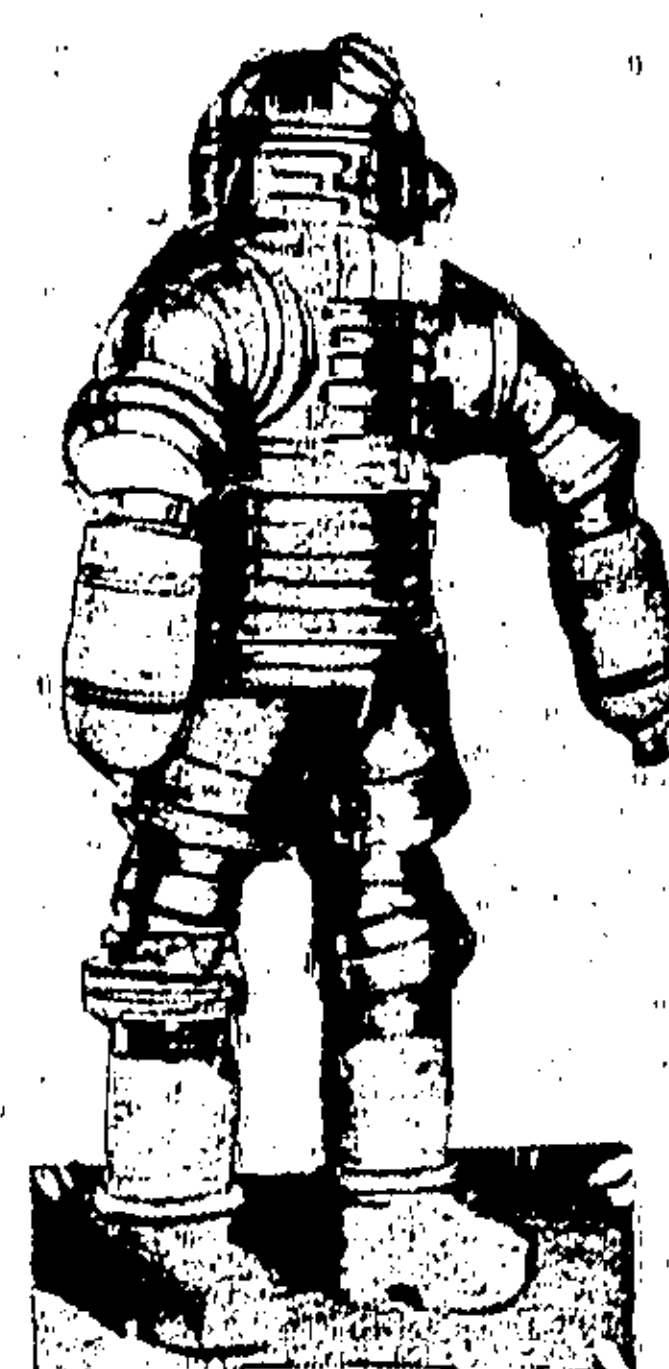
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BARBARA KEMP

MAX VON SCHILLING

Lieut.-Gen. Jose Sanjurjo Sacnel has been appointed High Commissioner of the Spanish armies in Morocco. Major-Gen. John F. O'Ryan, World War veteran, is expected to be the next head of the New York City police. Cole Blaise, Senator from South Carolina, declares entrance by the United States into the World Court will jeopardize the sovereignty of the American people. Barbara Kemp, American singer, stands staunchly by her husband, Max Von Schilling, whose resignation as director of the Prussian state opera has been demanded.

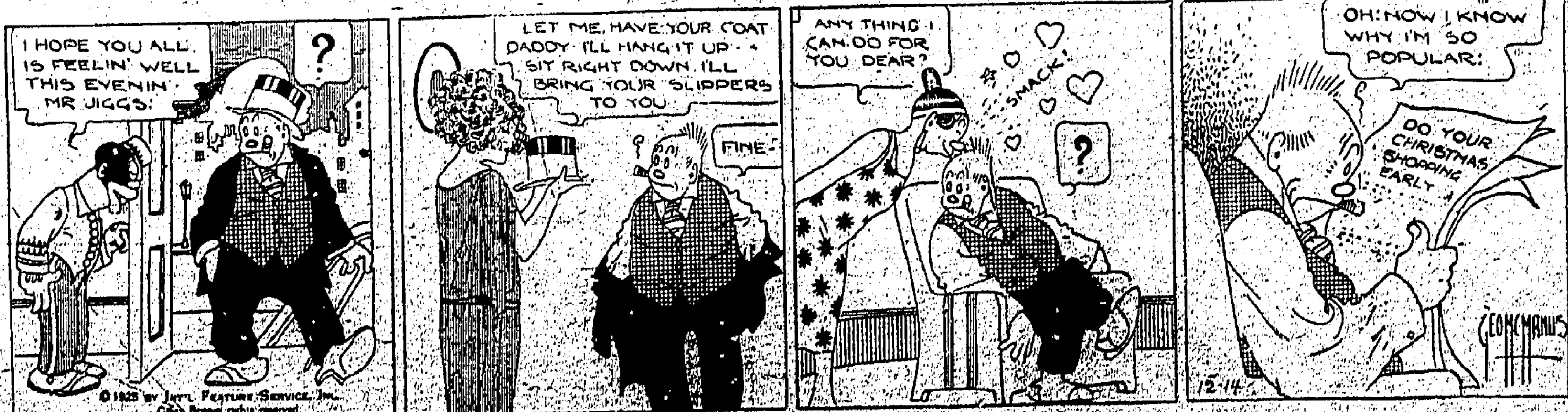
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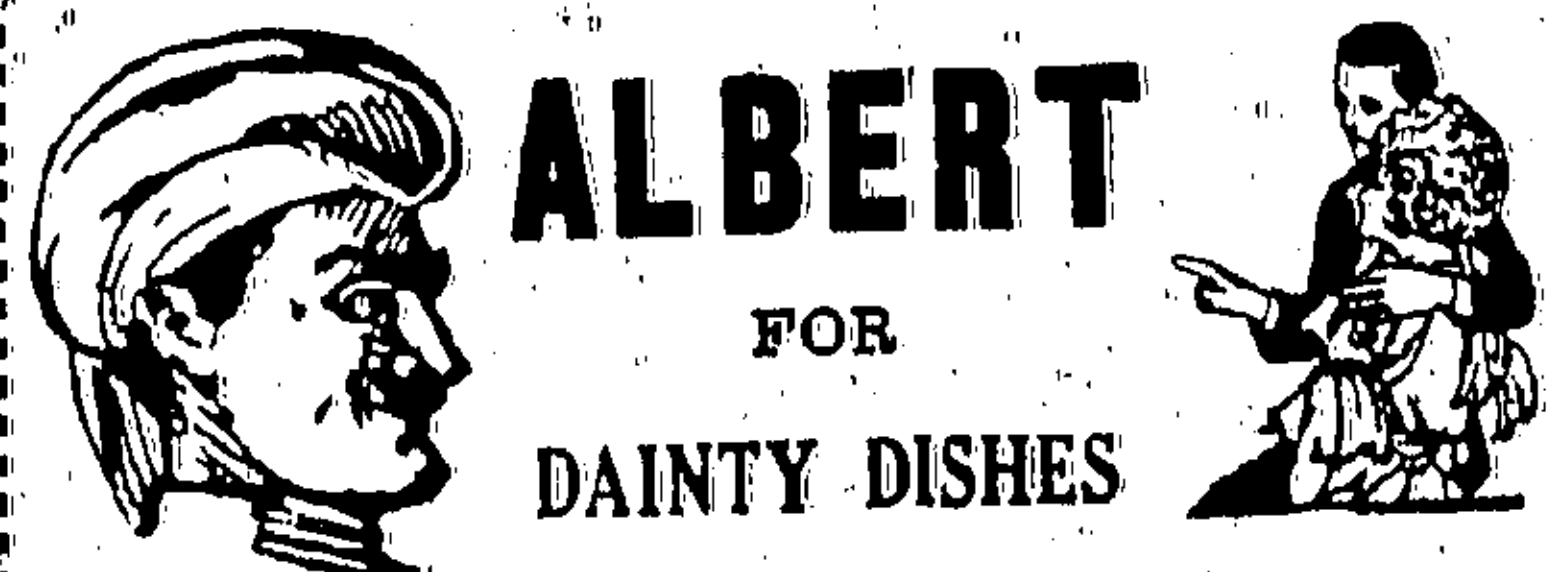


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Mainland.	
Taimoshan	8124
Kowloon Peak	1971

ODDS AND ENDS

New Principle of Propulsion.

An invention which may completely revolutionise engineering has had its birth on Tyneside. A practical Newcastle engineer, well known in shipping circles, has, it is said, "invented a principle of mechanical power and propulsion which is entirely new and quite unknown to the mechanical world." Everyone knows that the method of converting water into steam by means of coal is not only wasteful but very costly. The main point in the new invention, the result of years of study and costly experiment on the part of Mr. John Fox Jennings Malone, of Heaton, consists of securing motive power by means of a new type of engine, driven by liquid, this consisting of water, the temperature of which has been slightly raised, lowered and raised again, the water being, of course, used over and over again without any costly condensing plant whatever, as in the case of steam. Within the four walls of one of the workshops of Messrs. Hawthorn, Leslie, and Company, Forth Banks, Newcastle, a score of experts recently assembled to see a new engine, erected on the same spot as George Stephenson built his first engine just a hundred years ago. It is claimed by the inventor that the new engine demonstrates an absolutely new first principle in the production of power. Hitherto engines converting heat into power have employed a gaseous medium—the external combustion engine using steam and the internal combustion engine using either gas or oil in a gaseous state. This new form of engine, however, uses a liquid medium—"medium" meaning a vehicle between heat and work. The inventor claims that he has procured "an engine of greater strength, greater dependability, greater flexibility, and there is no gear-lag. There is no loss of power or speed through gearing, and the principle can be applied to sea, to road, and to rail."—"North Mail."

The Sky in December.

The moon will be new on December 15 at 7.5 p.m., and full on the 30th at 2.4 a.m. It will be nearest to the earth on the 17th, and furthest away on the 5th, the difference in distance amounting to 27,000 miles. It will be in conjunction with Mars on the 13th, with Saturn on the same date, with Jupiter on the 17th, and with Venus on the 19th. The last two planets will actually be occulted, but the phenomena will not be visible in Edinburgh, as the bodies will have set some hours before the lines in question. Venus will be a very conspicuous evening star, and immediately after sunset it will be

readily observed low down in the south. Its period of visibility will increase as the month progresses, and by the end it will remain above the horizon for nearly four hours after sunset. Its brightness will also increase until January 2, when it will attain its greatest brilliancy and be visible in full daylight. When the time of greatest brilliancy occurs, at this season of the year the planet's brightness is exceptional, owing to its nearness to the earth, but this will be less apparent on the present occasion owing to the planet's low altitude in the sky. Two new faint comets, both about the 8th magnitude, have lately been discovered, and may be followed with a small telescope. The first, in the constellation Canes Venatici, was discovered at the Yerkes Observatory, Chicago. It is moving in a south-easterly direction. The second was discovered in the constellation Hercules, and is moving in the same direction, but much more rapidly. 1925 has been an exceptional year for faint comets, no fewer than 10 having approached the sun. The principal meteor shower of the month will be the Gemidians, radiating from the constellation of the Twins. They will be most in evidence during the second week, and often provide a good display.—"The Scotsman."

WASHING DOWN MEALS. A Habit Inviting Trouble.

One of the worst errors practised at table is that of "washing down" food before it has been properly masticated. It is an "evil" accompanying the "speeding-up" process which prevails in everything we do to-day.

Doctors have declared that nine-tenths of the cases of indigestion begin with the violation of nature's law; for to wash down unmasticated food is to introduce into the stomach a two-fold evil: one the evil of lumpy solids which the stomach was never intended to digest, and the other evil, that of diluting the stomach's juices so that they become too weak to work. Then indigestion begins its tortures, and other maladies follow, for the digestion, nerves and blood are sympathetic, and on them depends the whole health of the body.

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Race to Stop Train.

When the automatic brakes failed as his train was entering the Rock Ferry terminal of the Mersey underground railway at high speed, recently, driver W. Davies averted what might have been a serious disaster by first applying the hand brake and then by racing to the rear of the train and shutting off the power and applying the brakes in the driver's box at the end. The train crashed into the buffers, upsetting them and tearing up the line, but the speed of the train was so far reduced that though several passengers were shaken no one was seriously injured.

Important Vitamin Discovery.

Work on vitamins, the mysterious substances which seem indispensable to healthy growth in animals and man, has assumed an entirely new and remarkable aspect if the claims put forward by four Japanese bio-chemists are substantiated. The discoverers of the substance have named it "Biosterin," because it is absolutely essential to life, and has the chemical properties of a group of waxes known as sterols. It is a reddish yellow oil, of which one pound was obtained by various chemical methods from two tons of cod-liver oil. It is also present in spinach and other vegetable matter, and, on submitting dried green leaves to an appropriate process, another half-ounce of it was obtained. It will be seen that the amount of biosterin thus isolated comes to 1/4000th part of the cod-liver oil used. But, although this quantity is not great, biosterin, like all vitamins, is only needed in human and animal food in minute traces. From experiments on rats it was possible to determine that a rat requires less than 1/200th of a milligram of biosterin daily to keep in health or one-millionth of its daily food ration. The same proportionate quantity for a human being would work out at about one-quarter of a gramme per year, or less than an ounce in a whole lifetime. It will be easily apprehended, therefore, that a pound of it would be a long way. Too much of this vitamin in the rat's diet had disastrous effects on its health. When two thousand times the minimum ration was given, the animal died, after developing marked symptoms, such as baldness, eye trouble, emaciation, and, finally, paralysis of the hind limbs. It may very well follow, therefore, that just as a deficiency of vitamins leads to disease in human beings, other ailments may be due to an excess of them in the diet.—"The Observer."

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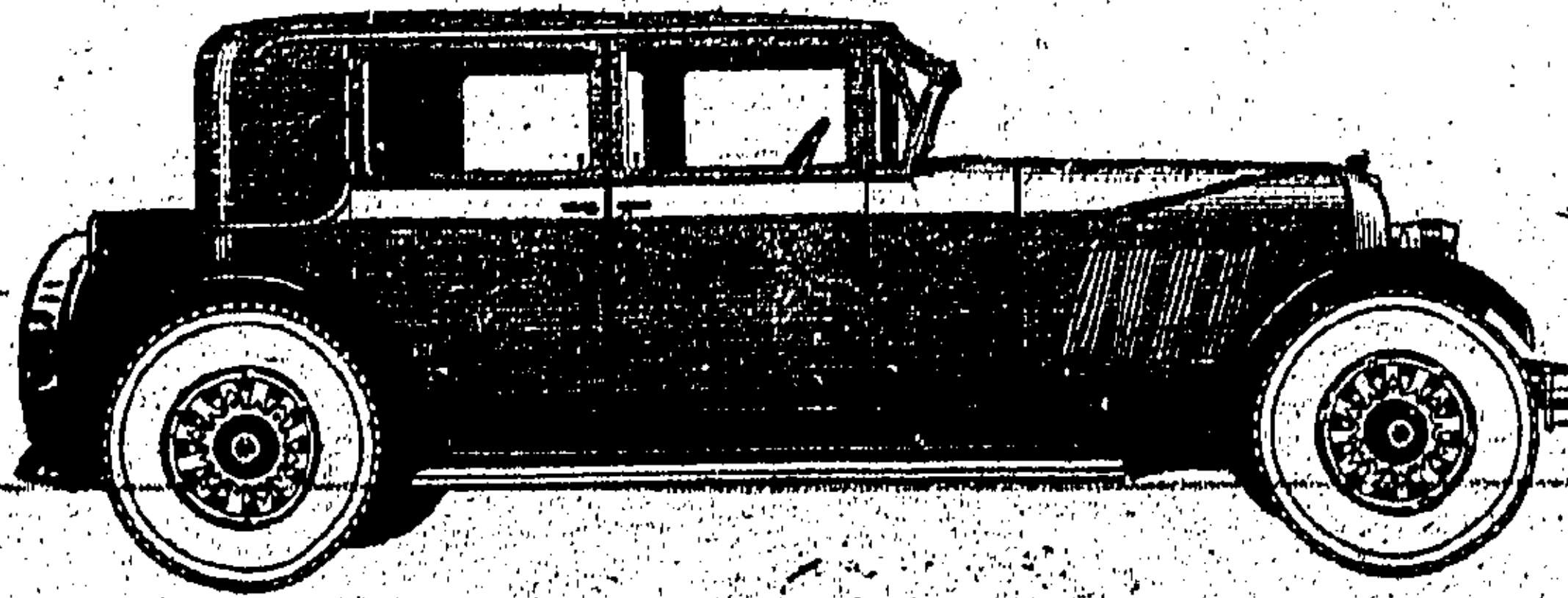
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Straits	SATURDAY, JANUARY 23.	Automedon
Shanghai	SUNDAY, JANUARY 24.	Szechuan
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EUROPE via Suez Letters and Papers—London	WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27.	Swara Maru
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Straits	MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1.	Atsuta Maru
Australia and Manila	WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3.	Frederic Adams
Japan	FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5.	Sibers Maru
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2nd Jan. 8.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.	10 a.m.	
FRIDAY, JANUARY 22.		
Holbow, Pakhoi & Balphong	8.30 a.m.	
Manila	10 a.m.	
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via MARSEILLES—due Marseilles 2nd Feb. Parcels 5 p.m. Registration (2nd Jan) 5.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.	1.30 p.m.	
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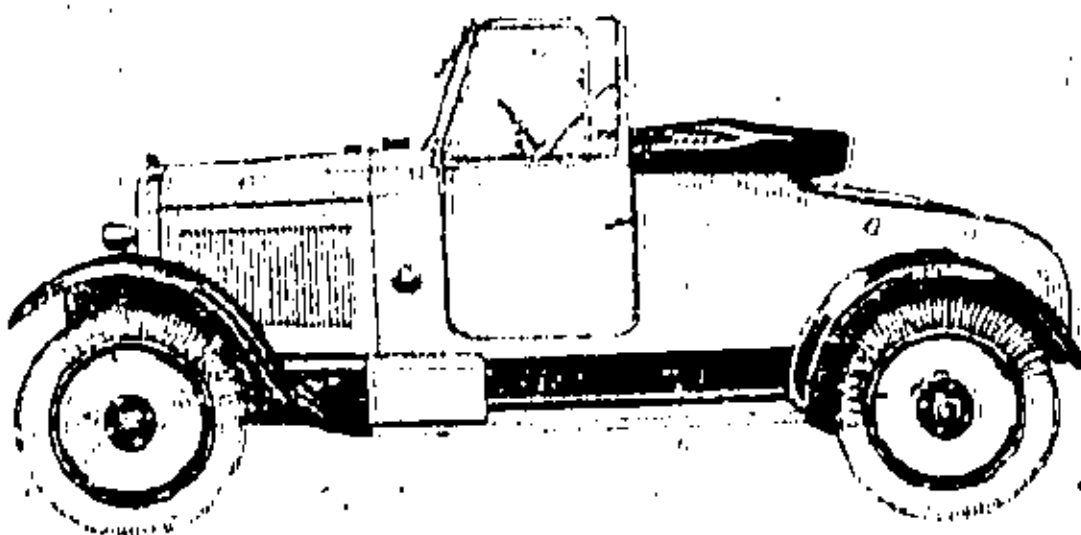
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The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from SATURDAY, 30th January, to SATURDAY, 6th February 1926 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors, KAN TONG PO, Chief Manager.

INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS & SHIPBUILDERS.

A Dinner will be held on Friday, February 19th, 1926. Full details will be circulated as soon as possible. Members are requested to keep this date open.

P. T. FARRELL, Hon. Secretary.

Hong Kong, 21st January, 1926.

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THE REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, 15th January to WEDNESDAY, 27th January, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors, L. S. GREENHILL, Secretary.

Hong Kong, January 7, 1926.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Third Day, 7th Race, 3rd March, 1926.

THE UNITED SERVICES CUP.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the conditions for this Race have been altered and should read as under:

CONDITIONS.—A Cup will be presented to the Winner with \$400 added. Second \$250. Third \$150. For China Ponies "the bona fide" property of and to be ridden by Officers of H.M.'s Regular Forces. "Folio Ponies" leased by Officers will, for the purpose of this Race, be considered as the "bona fide" property of such Officers. Catch weights at 180 lbs. Entrance \$5. One Round (about 7 Furlongs 55 yards). Hong Kong, January 8, 1926.

LAMMERT BROS.

AUCTIONEERS, APPRAISERS
AND SURVEYORS.

Public Auctions.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

ON Friday, the 22nd January, 1926 commencing at 11 a.m.

at their Sales Room, Duddell St.
1 Case Sewing Machine Head
1 Case Electric Goods
1 Case Woollen Caps
2 Cases Wooden Labels

ALSO
1 Case Microscopes

AND
(For Account of the Concerned.)

8 Cases Capcloth

Terms:—Cash on delivery.

LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers.

ON

Saturday, the 23rd January 1926 commencing at 11 a.m.

at The premises of The Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co. Ltd., West Point

A Quantity of

MISCELLANEOUS GOODS:

Comprising:—

Hospital Supplies, Tiber, Wire, Whisky, Brandy, Firecrackers, Horse Boxes, Oil, Paint, China ware, Electric Wire, Medicine, Wine, Native Cigars, etc., etc.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers.

ON

Wednesday, the 27th Jan. 1926 commencing at 2.30 p.m.

at No. 231 Nathan Road (No. 4 Ley's Building) Ground Floor, Kowloon

A Quantity of

VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

Comprising:—

Chesterfield Couch and Armchairs, Teak Hatstand with Bevelled Mirror, Teak Desk and Bookcase combined, Mantel Clock, Carpets, etc., etc.

Teak Extension Dining Table, Dining Chairs, Teak Sideboard with Bevelled Mirror, Teak Dinner Wagon, Crockery, Cooking Utensils, E. P. Ware, Glass Ware, etc., etc.

Teak Bedsteads, Teak Double Wardrobe with Bevelled Mirror, Teak Dressing Table with Bevelled Mirror, Teak Chest of Drawers, Teak and Marble Top Wash Stand, etc., etc.

also

A Few Pieces of Canton Blackwood Ware

and

1 Gas Cooking Stove

and

1 Iron Safe by "Cyrus Price & Co."

Catalogues will be issued

On View from Tuesday, the 26th January, 1926

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers.

Hong Kong, 21st January, 1926.

SANITARY DEPARTMENT.

NOTICE is hereby given that as two cases of rabies have recently been reported in the Colony, I am not until further notice prepared to give permits (in accordance with Government Notification No. 585 of 24th October 1924) for dogs to cross the harbour unless I am satisfied of urgent necessity in each case.

M. J. REIDY,

Colonial Veterinary Surgeon.

Hong Kong, 19th January, 1926.

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with

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LAMMERT BROS.

Sale of Carpets, Blankets, Linen and Hair Mattresses, etc.

(Salvage ex "Hongkong Hotel Fire.")

will be held on

Monday, the 25th January, 1926,

commencing at 2.45 p.m.

at The STEAM LAUNDRY WORKS, Yau-mati

(Behind the Oriental Tobacco Co. Ltd., Coronation Road)

Terms:—As Customary.

LAMMERT BROS.,

Auctioneers.

Hong Kong, January 21, 1926.

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